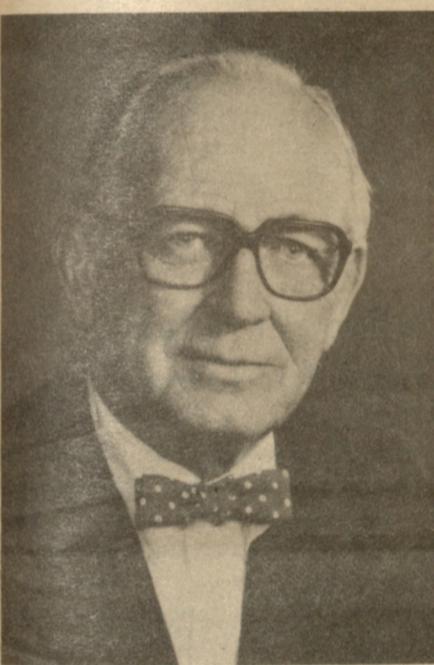


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Dr. Jack C. Hughston '38

## Sports Medicine Pioneer Receives Honorary Degree

Dr. Jack C. Hughston '38, a Columbus, Ga., orthopedic surgeon and a founding father in the field of sports medicine, received an honorary Doctor of Science from Auburn at summer graduation. Dr. Hughston heads the new 100-bed Hughston Sports Medicine Hospital in Columbus as well as the education and research program of the Hughston Sports Medicine Foundation.

A graduate of the LSU Medical School, Dr. Hughston specialized in orthopedics at Duke University and interned at the Shriners' Hospital for Children in Greenville, S.C. He began his own practice in Columbus in 1950 and worked with the local Crippled Children's Clinic. In 1952 he became the orthopedic consultant for the Auburn Athletic Department, a relationship that continues.

In 1963 Dr. Hughston became a member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons' committee on sports medicine and served as its chairman from 1965 to 1975. He was one of the founding members of the American Orthopedic Society for Sports Medicine in 1972 and that same year became editor of the *American Journal of Sports Medicine*.

Since 1969, Dr. Hughston has been clinical professor of orthopedic surgery with the Tulane School of Medicine and Tulane

students serve as residents at the Hughston Sports Medicine Hospital.

At the clinic named for him, Dr. Hughston heads a staff of 11 orthopedic surgeons. Patients come from across the U.S. and even from other countries as a result of the clinic's reputation and Dr. Hughston's lectures abroad.

## AVMA Accreditation Continued for Vet School, Site Visit Planned for 1986

The American Veterinary Medical Association has continued full accreditation for the Auburn School of Veterinary Medicine after approving what it called an "excellent" 1984 annual report by the school and commending the "active progress reported."

Dean J. Thomas Vaughan commented that he felt the positive reaction of the accreditation group would indicate that a site visit by the AVMA set for 1986 should go well. "I think the special line item added

this year for the school and the fact that the state is better able to meet our needs is a good sign," noted Dean Vaughan. "This reflects the support of Dr. Martin, the Board of Trustees, the governor, the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, and the Legislature."

At the AVMA's last site visit in 1981, the Auburn School was put on limited accreditation but regained full accreditation in 1983 after dealing with deficiencies cited in the site-visit report.

## Search Begins For Head of Alumni & Development

Nominations and applications for a successor for George L. (Buck) Bradberry as executive director of the Auburn Alumni Association and director of development for Auburn University are currently being accepted. Mr. Bradberry, who has spent 34 years on the Auburn staff, will retire Sept. 30.

Applications and nominations will be

accepted until July 15. Then a five-member screening committee will recommend from three to five candidates to the final selection committee made up of Auburn President James E. Martin, Earl (Buddy) Weaver '62, president of the Auburn Alumni Association, and Ben S. Gilmer '26, president of the Auburn University Foundation.

The screening committee consists of chairman Walter L. Martin '44, DVM, of Chattanooga, Tenn., a former president of the Auburn Alumni Association, chairman; Gilmer Blackburn '51 of Decatur, vice president of the Auburn University Foundation and former president of the Auburn Alumni Association; Jim Carroll '52 of Tampa, Fla., a member of the board of the Auburn Alumni Association; Edward L. Lowder '39 of Montgomery, a member of the board of the Auburn University Foundation; and Don Machen '62 of Auburn, a member of the board of the Auburn Alumni Association.

For additional information about applying for the job of alumni director see the advertisement on page 17 which the University has placed in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and other publications.



**AN AUBURN FAMILY**—The Pittman family of Opelika is an all Auburn family. Not only did they graduate two sons from Auburn in June but a future daughter-in-law as well to join the solidly Auburn family in which parents, children, and in-laws are Auburn alumni. Pictured following the School of Veterinary Medicine graduation are, from left, Lyman Pittman '51, Wilda Washington Pittman '50, Louis G. Pittman '85 and Mardi Monin '85 (who were wed the day following graduation), Tim Pittman '85, Faye Pittman Percival '81, and Danny Percival '81.

# Campus Roundup

## Trustees Act On Stadium, Campus Renovation Funds

Auburn Trustees devoted most of their June 3 meeting to funding campus renovation projects and the addition to Jordan-Hare Stadium. In a continuing series of reports to the board, Dean Edward H. Hobbs reported on the School of Arts and Sciences, the oldest and largest school at Auburn.

The issue causing the most discussion in the three-hour meeting involved consolidating the 1979 stadium addition debt with financing for the stadium addition scheduled to begin this summer. Much of the discussion concerned whether or not the \$8 portion of the student activity fee which goes to the Athletic Department would be considered Athletic Department money and used to pay off the new stadium addition although backers of the project had stressed that no student or university money would be involved.

The motion to approve the refinancing plan, which would involve a consolidated debt of \$20 million, passed 4-2 with the two newest trustees, Emory Cunningham and Bessie Mae Holloway, abstaining because they were not involved in earlier discussions and actions on the stadium addition. A re-vote later in the meeting to attempt to make the financing more appealing to investors brought the unanimous approval of the board.

In other action, the board increased housing costs at both AUM and Auburn and moved to refinance a \$16 million bond issue for several campus projects. They include the currently-being-constructed underground electrical system, two chilled water plants, an improved air handling system for the library, and renovation of the central heating plant.

The board also voted to convert Alumni Hall, currently a men's dormitory, to office space and to add a 13,000-foot addition to Leach Nuclear Center to house the Space Power Institute.

Before adjourning, the board approved the sale of property which used to house AUM on Bell Street in Montgomery, expressed the university's appreciation to Gov. George Wallace for his leadership in adopting Alabama Commission of Higher Education recommendations that led to a 27 percent improvement in the Auburn budget for next year, and listened to a report by Dean Ed Hobbs on the School of Arts and Sciences.

Telling the board members that Arts and Sciences is the oldest and largest school at Auburn, Dean Hobbs stressed that "Our curricula are designed to provide a practical and liberal education and they prepare people who are employable and useful to society."

"It may surprise you to realize," he continued, "that Auburn University's School of Arts and Sciences is larger than *any university* in the state with the exception of the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, UAB, and Auburn University itself,



**AUDUBON PRINTS**—A collector's edition of Audubon prints has been given to Auburn by the William Ellis family. The set consists of 431 prints, produced from the original paintings of John James Audubon by the New York Historical Society. Three generations of the Ellis family who have attended Auburn or are attending Auburn were present at the presentation. Seated (from left) are Mrs. Dorothy Ellis, President James E. Martin, and William Ellis '39 of Montreat, N.C., and Tampa, Fla. Mr. Ellis is president of Aluminum Service, Inc., in Tampa. Standing are William Ellis, III, '64 of Montgomery and sons Christian and Brent. Brent is a freshman at Auburn in journalism. His father is with *Alabama Magazine*. The prints, which will be maintained in Ralph Brown Draughon Library, will be on display from time to time and are number 633 of the limited edition of 750.

using the number of student credit hours produced as the measure."

Among the statistics that Dean Hobbs gave the board was the information that Arts and Sciences produces 42 percent of the student credit hours at Auburn University and enrolls 26 percent of all Auburn students as majors in the curricula offered in its 16 departments.

Although salaries and maintenance funding for Arts and Sciences has improved in the last year, Dean Hobbs told the board, "we still have a way to go," citing a long list of equipment needs. He also listed 96,000 square feet of additional space needed for programs in his area including 40,000 in chemistry, 20,000 in physics, 12,000 in math, 8,000 in psychology, and 1,650 in political science, adding that space needs in "several other departments are critical as well."

Dean Hobbs summed up the role of his school in the university as being more than that of providing programs for majors in the various curricula, but as providing the base for "a wide range of knowledge—and if we are successful, our students will build on and expand that base the rest of their lives. That is why it is so important that we succeed in our thrust for excellence."

## Forestry Receives 300 Acres from Union Camp Corp.

The Auburn School of Forestry has received more than 300 acres of timberland

"We are pleased to make this donation in support of Auburn University and the School of Forestry," said Robert E. Lee, III, director of land resources for Union Camp and former president of the Alabama Forestry Association.

AU's School of Forestry was established last October to give forestry more visibility and status at the University. Forestry had been a department in the School of Agriculture since 1947. "By expanding our forestry program, we are in a position to make a greater contribution to the economic growth development of our state," according to President Martin.

Emmett Thompson, acting dean of the School of Forestry, noted, "Union Camp's gift represents a significant contribution on the part of a major forest products company to the School of Forestry program. Such a partnership will lead to enhanced activities, particularly in research, to further develop forestry in Alabama."

## Fulbright Scholars Grant for Diener

Urban L. Diener, a senior scientist on the agricultural teaching and research faculty at Auburn, has been awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholars grant to lecture and conduct research on mycotoxins in food technology in Brazil from August through September.

At the University of Campinas he will teach a course on the importance of mycotoxins in food technology, work with faculty who are engaged in research with toxicogenic fungi and their toxins, and participate in seminars and lecture programs. Dr. Diener's research at Auburn has been on toxins produced by fungi in grains and

in Marshall County from Union Camp Corp.

"This is the first such gift to be made to the new School of Forestry," said President James E. Martin. "We are grateful for Union Camp's generosity and the opportunity to be more active partners in the expansion of forest products in the state."

The gift, three separate tracts totaling 307.4 acres, has an appraised value of \$365,254.



**INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT HONORS**—A team of industrial management majors came home with top honors recently from a national contest sponsored by the Society for Advancement of Management. Each team was given two days to propose a strategy to help a beverage company increase its profits. The Auburn team devised an elaborate plan to widen the company's market appeal without changing the product and the Society chose the Auburn plan as the best. Team members, who were honored at a recent School of Business honors banquet, are, from left, Martha Brewster of Rome, Ga., Valerie Ward of Brewton, Elmas Vincent of Lanett, and Mark Dummer of Arab.

other agricultural products. He was a pioneer in work related to toxins that have caused serious problems in peanuts and corn and has helped determine at what level of infection grains are safe to use in livestock feed and how to make contaminated grains safe for livestock.

In 1984, Dr. Diener was invited by the National Research Council to serve as a consultant on toxins in Thailand.

Dr. Diener has received numerous awards for his research dealing with aflatoxin in peanuts and corn and with other mycotoxins in cotton and grain sorghum, for establishing the relationship of fungi to deterioration of peanuts in storage and field, and for work on controlling diseases of fruits, vegetables and pecans. Among his honors are the Golden Peanut Research Award from the National Peanut Council and being made a Fellow by the American Association for Advancement of Science.

## Sigma Xi Society Honors Graduate Student Research

The Auburn Chapter of Sigma Xi (The Scientific Research Society of North America) recently honored two graduates for research performed in working toward their degrees. Dana Lee West '82 of Gulf Shores won the Sigma Xi Research Award for his work on blue crabs in the marshes of Dauphin Island. Having completed his requirements of the master's, he is now working fulltime at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab. His major professor was Ann H. Williams, assistant professor of zoology-entomology.

John M. Zamora '84 of Auburn received



LAW & SOCIAL SCIENCES—The Law And Social Sciences Advisory Council met recently to discuss various matters involved in the social sciences programs at Auburn. Seated are, from left, Dean Edward H. Hobbs of the School of Arts and Sciences, Mitchell Sharpe '49 of Huntsville, Kia Bentley '78 of Tallahassee, Fla., William Neville '56 of Eufaula,

Jim Rotch '67 of Birmingham, and Roy Bain of Port Richey, Fla. Standing are Roy L. Mims '60 of Atlanta, Judson H. Salter, Jr., '59 of Opelika, Jesse S. Vogtle of Birmingham, Murray Adams (head of the Department of Sociology), Melvin G. Cooper of Montgomery, Michael W. Forster '74 of Montgomery, and Atley Kitchings of Birmingham.

the Carolyn Taylor Carr Award for his work on anticancer, antimicrobial and chemical properties of the creosote bush while pursuing the Doctor of Pharmacy. John, whose major professor was Emil C. Mora, is presently a cancer researcher at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

## DOE Grant Aids Nuclear Fusion Research

A \$75,000 Department of Energy grant will help Dr. Rex Gandy with research designed to aid the eventual commercial application of nuclear fusion. An assistant professor of physics, Dr. Gandy will construct an instrument to measure the temperature of plasma, then ship it to the University of Texas to use with a tokamak there. The Texas tokamak—a "magnetic bottle" designed to hold ionized gas, or plasma at a high temperature—is a national users' facility with a staff which can assist Dr. Gandy's research. "We'll be able to monitor some of the results from here," he says, "through our Magnetic Fusion Energy Network, a linkup from Oak Ridge to numerous research laboratories throughout the country." Dr. Gandy joined the Auburn faculty last fall after working at the MIT Plasma Fusion Center for three years and, during his graduate study, he spent four years with the tokamak at the University of Texas.

## Architecture Prof's Work Featured in Japanese Journal

Architecture professor Robert L. Faust is one of 28 members of the American

School of Architecture whose work is featured in the March issue of the Japanese architectural journal *Architecture and Urbanism*. Four pages of the magazine are devoted to illustrations of Prof. Faust's work in Auburn as well as in Iowa and Tennessee along with an article on his view of current architecture trends. Work by Prof. Faust is also included in a current exhibit in London, called "The American School of Architecture, the Bruce Goff Legacy," which refers to the fact that many members of the American School were students of Prof. Goff at the University of Oklahoma. The show is on exhibit at the Heinz Gallery of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

## Army Instructor Receives Highest Award for Teaching

Capt. Richard B. Driver, assistant professor of military science with the Army ROTC at Auburn, has received the Army's highest award for excellence in military instruction. In competition with 1,544 other ROTC instructors, he was named the recipient of the Col. Leo A. Codd Memorial Award as the most outstanding Army ROTC instructor for 1984. He was cited for his innovative teaching methods, his dedication to his student's full development as citizens and Army professionals, and his unparalleled excellence as an instructor and a role model.

The first Army officer from an Alabama ROTC unit ever to receive that honor, Capt. Driver has recently been named to the Foreign Area Service Program and left Auburn in June to enroll in the School of International Studies, the first phase of the

program at Ft. Bragg, N.C. After further training he will be assigned to teach advanced tactics and strategy to officers in the Command and General Staff College in Honduras, S.A.

## Eighteen Named To Grad Faculty

Eighteen teachers have been named to the Graduate Faculty at Auburn. New members include: Nancy B. Burdg, rehabilitation and special education; Stewart Baldwin, mathematics; Roy M. Broughton Jr., textile engineering; David M. Hall, textile engineering; Eleanor Hall, rehabilitation and special education; Robert J. Kempainen, physiology and pharmacology; and Judy A. Kennedy, mathematics.

Also, Francois Melese, economics; Frazier Parker Jr., civil engineering; Daniel L. Parsons, pharmacal sciences; Warren S. Perkins, textile engineering; Eric D. Poole, sociology; Christopher Rodger, mathematics; Larry A. Tucker, health, physical education, and recreation; Robert A. Tufts, forestry; Charles R. Vick, computer science and engineering; Jean-Marie Wersinger, physics; and Ann H. Williams, zoology-entomology.

## Aerospace Prof Named To National Office

Malcolm A. Cutchins of the Department of Aerospace Engineering has been named chairman of the technical committee on structural dynamics for the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. The committee, made up of 24 experts from across the nation, considers the interaction of various forces acting on aeronautical and astronautical vehicles and structures.



HONORED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS—Dr. J. David Irwin '61, head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, recently received the highest award in the nation for furthering military education. The Society of American Military Engineers presented him with the Bliss Award on May 10. Dr. Irwin was cited for his service in working for Congressional approval of a fifth year of academic scholarship for engineering students also pursuing commissioning. Dr. Irwin also is the only engineer on the Army Advisory Panel on ROTC, made up of 15 academicians representing the 420 colleges and universities with Army ROTC programs.

# Points & Views

Here and There—

## A Source of Enrichment

By Jerry Roden, Jr. '46

On Thursday, June 13, 1985, Dr. George I. Garin died in the East Alabama Medical Center after a period of declining health and after undergoing major surgery earlier this week. Thus Auburn lost one of its most stable and most colorful citizens. Dr. Garin came to Auburn in 1948 as a research professor in Forestry and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1972.

  
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When they came here, Dr. Garin and his wife, Mary, brought with them a large young family: their four daughters, Neena, Marita, Greta, and Vickie; and their infant son, Nicki. The Garin family quickly became an integral part of the Auburn community, so much so that after the passage of a little time it seemed that they had always been here.

Mrs. Mary Garin was born in Montana and grew up, obtained her education, began a career in teaching, met her future husband, married, and bore her five children all within the confines of the Far West. But she fitted perfectly into the life of this quiet Southern town, because she possessed virtually all the attributes we ascribe to a Southern lady: She was gentle, soft-spoken, cultured, and compassionate—a model wife and mother, a Sunday school teacher, and an active participant in other worthy community affairs. Of her, a close acquaintance and longtime friend often said: "If there are saints in human dress, Mary Garin is certainly one of them."

Although each manifested unique individual qualities and talents, all of the Garin children displayed some common traits which made them welcome members of the community's young folk: They were intelligent, industrious, friendly, courteous, and unpretentious.

Like the rest of his family, Dr. George I. Garin quickly established his place in the community—and in the University where he worked. But there were some notable differences between him and his family—and, indeed, between him and anyone else I have ever met. Those differences arose from a blending of his unique personal qualities and his unusual life experiences, which require some minimal detailing for the fullest appreciation of the man and his achievements.

George I. Garin was born on April 9, 1902, in Odessa, Russia—a city on the northern shore of the Black Sea. Apparently his family was one of some substance and culture: his mother was once an opera singer and his family was unfriendly to the Bolshevik Revolution when it came in 1917, while young George was away from home attending boarding school in the manner of the scions of educated Russians of the day.

There are some ambiguities about the fate of the rest of his family, perhaps because George—like many refugees from totalitarian regimes—kept certain details obscure deliberately in an effort to protect those left behind, or perhaps because in the terrible upheaval of that time he never learned all the details himself.

But of that time and the subsequent years, two things seem clear: In 1918 at the tender age of sixteen, George deemed it essential to his survival to escape from Russia, and after his escape, he considered it necessary for the welfare of his remaining

relatives to make no attempt to communicate with them.

George fled from Russia into Turkey and later worked his way to Tunisia and from there to Paris, France, where he drove a taxi until he saved enough money to pay his fare to New York City. In New York, he soon became dissatisfied with his progress in mastering English and realized that a major hindrance was his association with other Russian immigrants there. Consequently, he began haunting the public library seeking information on some place to go. Thus, he discovered that the University of Idaho offered the studies in forestry in which he was interested and that the University was located in Moscow, Idaho.

That information was enough to launch him on a pilgrimage to the University of Idaho, at which he earned both a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science Degree. He got his first job in Montana, where he met Mary, and later returned east to earn his Doctor of Philosophy at Yale University.

Before coming to Auburn, he worked in forestry for a number of years in various western states and performed considerable service on one or more Indian reservations. His relationships with the Native Americans among whom he worked were obviously cordial and mutually rewarding: He learned some of their language, many of their customs, and much of their folklore, all of which he treated with great respect. And the Indians returned the respect with affection and various honorary titles.

Thus, Dr. George I. Garin came to Auburn not merely as a highly educated, experienced, and competent professional in his scientific discipline but also as a man well-versed by experience in many cultures. Wherever he went, he commanded the attention due to a man of knowledge, to an individual with a rare ability to survive, and to a person of imposing physical stature.

I suspect that Dr. George I. Garin could upon occasion be rather intimidating to those who did not know him well. For, when he spoke upon a serious matter of principle, he minced no words but drove straight to the point with undeviating logic. However, friends and even acquaintances know that behind that occasionally stern exterior lay a warm and humane heart and a mind more inclined to colorful stories and witty observations than to stern lectures.

At a memorial service held in the Auburn Unitarian-Universalist Church on June 15, Dr. Delos McKown offered the following sample of Dr. Garin's penchant for making a trenchant point with what appeared at the outset to be a very casual everyday observation:

*Out of a clear blue sky, George Garin once said to me, "Hey McKown, you want to know how this country is different from Russia?" Thinking that I already knew some of the differences, I nevertheless said, "How?"*

*"Funerals," he said.*

*"Funerals?" I replied, having expected him to deal with something big, something geo-political.*

*"Yes," he went on, obviously thinking back to the terrible purge trials under Stalin in the mid 1930's in particular. "In the Soviet Union, no matter how much you have done for country or party, they say awful things about you at your funeral. But in this country, even if you are just ordinary or even a bum sort of, they say wonderful things about you at your funeral."*

At that memorial service, the testimonies of the Garin children, of Dr. McKown, and of Dr. Everett S. Lyle, Jr., emphasized what those in the audience

already knew: Dr. George I. Garin was an extraordinary man—a firm but loving husband and father, a devoted scientist of unusual competence, a dedicated American citizen who comprehended and appreciated the virtues of his adopted country better than most that are native born, a patriarch of the Auburn Unitarian-Universalist Church in which he continued a life-long search for religious truth that he began in his youth in the Russian Orthodox Church, and a great purveyor of wisdom through enthralling stories and humorous observations drawn from life.

The commanding presence is gone and the fountain of enthralling true stories is stilled. But memories of them and of the unusually durable man who brought them here and who graced Auburn with his presence for almost four decades will long endure and continue to enrich the lives of those he has left behind.



POOLING AROUND—With temperatures 100 or higher on graduation day, Danna Farmer of Eufaula and Alan Jenkins of Birmingham decided to find more comfortable surroundings than the unairconditioned Memorial Coliseum.

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## Dear Hearts & Gentle People

By Bob Sanders '52

The building is different and on the wrong side of the road from where it's supposed to be. It used to be a high-ceilinged frame structure on a knoll on the west side of the dirt road. Now it's a low brick building on the east side of the road. The road has had a thin layer of asphalt poured over it in one direction, but is still just dirt in the other.

The few cars that pull up under the trees are as shiny and new as the cars at any church, there's even a Mercedes (I remember when there were a good many wagons among the dusty cars and pickups). Several of the members live in town now, but they still hang onto the ties with the old home church. The congregation is much smaller now, and the average age is much older. There's air conditioning, too. But it's still Mt. Pisgah.

A few Sundays ago, I went with Mother to church at Mt. Pisgah, the first time in a long, long time. It was preaching Sunday, so Cousin Glenn Boman delivered the sermon . . . after Cousin Don Boman had (as superintendent of education) opened the proceedings and Cousin Carlos Crowder had led us all in a couple of songs (with Aunt Rama Finch at the piano) and Cousin Hezzie Mathews had taught the Sunday School lesson. It was good to see them all, but it was sad to think about all community pillars of my youth who weren't there.

My goodness, I can see them now . . . Bailey Boman, Otis Chandler, John Todd, Ed Finch, Lindsey Crowder, Grady Boman, John Bickerstaff—all cousins or uncles . . . They'd stand around outside before services, swapping stories about crops and politics and fishing.

It's not that I'm that old, you understand (the power company was just late about illuminating that corner of the world), but I can easily remember when the old building was still without electricity, especially the sultry nights of protracted meeting time. There'd be two meetings a day, in the morning and again at night. Many of the members tried to attend all of them, but jobs and crops naturally made the night crowds much bigger. People would come from miles around, sometimes by the truckload. Sawmiller Dink Reeves would start at his house, at the very southern tip of the community, and make a circle, picking up folks all along the way; and by the time he'd get to the church house, the big flat bed of his Chevrolet truck would be crammed with bodies with legs hanging off all around; and dust would follow the truck like Moses' protective cloud. A few of the men, truth be told, would never go in, but would sit on the truck in the relatively cool outside air, just outside the open windows. I envied them. Inside there were lamps around the walls and on the pulpit. Quilts would be spread in the aisles for babies to sleep on. When Peggy Ann's squalling would last too long, Cousin Robbie Bickerstaff would take her just outside the door and tan her britches good. Her howling would not distract Brother Vaughn or the visiting preacher one little bit. It took real stamina to be a preacher in those days. I can see Brother Vaughn or Brother Nix, (a real hell-fire-and-brimstoner who preached a couple of revivals) now, sweating buckets, wringing wet, drinking water and getting hoarser and hoarser, but asking for one more verse of "Just As I Am" or "Why Not Tonight" or "Almost Persuaded." And one more. And one more . . .

Most of the younguns in the community joined up at one revival or another, Chandlers, Bomans, Finches, Bickerstaffs, Matthews . . . You could see them all on Sunday afternoons or revival day afternoons over at the community swimming hole by Cousin Bailey's, which was also the baptizing place after the revival.

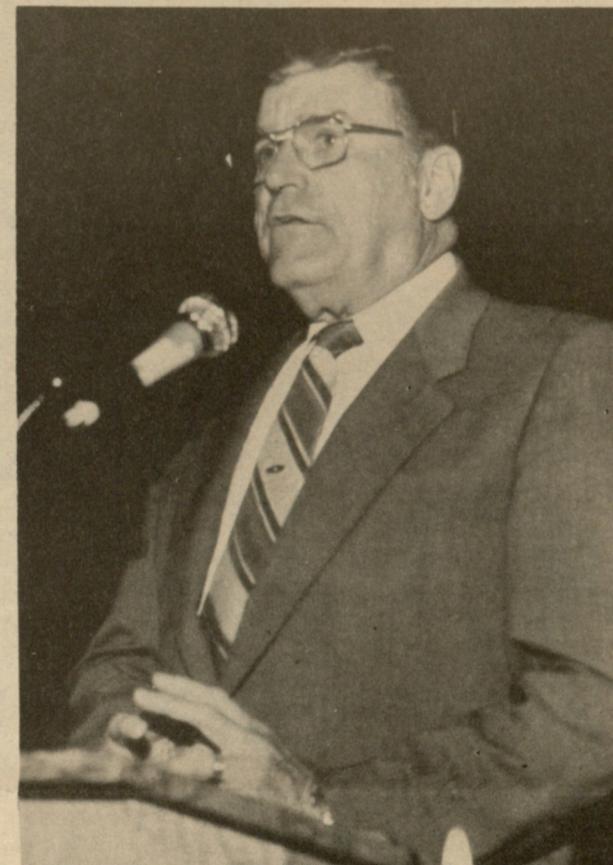
There aren't many patriarchs or matriarchs left. Total membership of the church is something like 35, and the ranks get thinner every year.

Hezzie, in his greeting to a rare visitor, said something about how they all liked to see wanderers

return, and that he hoped, wherever we went in the outside world, we would always remember the kind of up-bringing we got among the home folks in the Mt. Pisgah community.

Why, Cousin Hezzie! You know better! Mt. Pisgah is as much a part of me as my liver. It's one of my good parts. The other parts sometimes get the upper hand, but that Mt. Pisgah raising is always down in there somewhere, trying, like a gyrostabilizer. I wouldn't trade it for anything. I suspect the same is true of just about everybody who ever came out of the community as we knew it.

Back in the late forties Dinah Shore recorded a corny but nice little tune with a title that nicely describes Mt. Pisgah folks, "Dear Hearts and Gentle People." I couldn't say it better.



T. Gordy Germany '48, 1985 School of Business Alumnus of the Year

### Guest Column—

## More to Success Than Rolex

By T. Gordy Germany '48

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** T. Gordy Germany '48, the 1985 Distinguished Alumnus of the School of Business, made the following address to those attending the School of Business Honors Banquet this spring. Mr. Germany has spent his career with Crawford and Company, an Atlanta-based insurance firm, and is currently chairman of the board and chief executive officer. He is active with a number of civic and business organizations and serves on the Auburn School of Business Advisory Council.

Let's talk for a few moments about success. To me there are two kinds of success and I will begin by discussing the kind of success that you are probably most interested in. After all, if the periodicals of our day are to be believed, each of you are very eager to become a card-carrying yuppie. You want to get that prestigious professional position, buy yourself a Mercedes and a Rolex, get married and buy a home on a hill in the suburbs. Whether that is true or not, let's talk about success in the business world.

Since you are all honor students I am sure you are smart enough to realize the best way to do something today is probably a good bit different from the best way of doing that very same thing yesterday. After all, we live in a time in which change occurs not only more frequently but much more rapidly than ever before. Whether you look to industry, agriculture, business, or sociology, it is easy to find techniques and procedures in place today that are in fact radical departures from the accepted techniques and practices of just five or 10 years ago.

So it should not surprise you if I tell you that I can equip you with the very latest technique for achieving success. I doubt that you will even raise an eyebrow if I tell you to discard everything you have ever been told about success and to throw away everything you have ever read about what makes a successful person. After all, in a world where we have all had to learn new ways to do old things, it makes some sense that there would be a *new path* to follow to achieve that old goal of success.

I do have a formula that I would urge you to consider, and it does represent a rather radical departure. It is, however, a departure from the present and not from the past. For though we live in a world of new approaches, new technology, new developments, new trends and new solutions, I can honestly tell you that my formula for success is as old fashioned as saying "please" and "thank you," "yes, sir" and "no, ma'am," and is just as effective.

When I say that my formula is old fashioned, don't think that I am going to feed you any of the pie in the sky pablum about do your best every day and success will be assured. Such a view is naive and simplistic and I think you already know better than that. But on the other hand, the secret of success is that there really is no secret. Successful men and women are not in possession of any arcane and esoteric knowledge. The successful men and women whom I have known have had one thing in common: they have adopted a few simple principles of managing themselves and managing others and have applied these principles with rigorous discipline and basic common sense.

People who settle for mediocrity in their personal lives tend to settle for mediocrity as professionals. I want you to realize this as I have seen many ambitious young people forsake personal development to pursue professional development. Too late they discover that professional development unsupported by personal development is a fatal flaw. Do not fall into the trap of thinking that your job, your profession, is something separate from yourself; it simply is not. You are the job that you do and the job that you do is a reflection of who you are. Success demands that you develop professional effectiveness, but do not overlook your effectiveness as a person. Your professional reputation will be surprisingly similar to your personal reputation. There are a lot of excellent people who are not successful professionals, but there are very few successful professionals who are not excellent people.

Success in business will not be accomplished by people who only do as they are told. If you always put out the fire when called upon you will be regarded as a good, loyal employee who consistently performs as instructed. Laudable as that is, it is not the way to real success. Success requires you to be proactive, not just reactive; to put out a fire without waiting for instructions; to make something happen as opposed to waiting for something to happen. So understand that your success will not hinge solely on doing as you are told. Like the entrepreneur you will at times have to create opportunities where none are readily visible.

An indispensable item to include as you prepare for your move into the business world is the proper attitude. Have you ever noticed what a great difference there is between people whom you meet? Some are as sunshiny and happy as a bouquet of flowers; others come on like a frozen mackerel. A cheery nurse can make a hospital stay bearable. An upbeat secretary makes visitors glad they came to see you. Every corner of the world has its clouds, its gripes, its complainers, and pains in the neck because many people have yet to learn that honey works better than vinegar. You are in control of your small corner of the world, so brighten it.

You, and you alone, determine in what way you will respond to each event that befalls you. Almost without exception, the successful people whom I have known shared a common characteristic: that is, they have the ability to regard problems as opportunities. I have no fear in predicting that each of you throughout your career will encounter problems.

Regardless of the career you choose, you are going to be presented with problems on an almost daily basis. Let's face it, you are being hired by someone as a problem-solver. Some of your solutions are going to be accepted and probably others will be rejected. If you regard the rejection of one of your proposals in a negative way, it is going to stop you. If, however, you choose to regard the rejection as an opportunity, something else will probably happen. You certainly won't waste your time complaining, but will chart a course of action to perhaps find another opportunity to present your solution in a different way. Who knows? The point here is simply that if you regard problems as problems, they are going to stop you. If you regard them as opportunities, they will spur you on.

You will have little or no control over the events that befall you in life, but you have complete control over the way you handle those events, and the labels that you place on them. If you choose to be responsible for your attitude toward life, you can then be free to choose your response to life's events. And having control of that ability gives you an inside track to success.

So, to get a quick start on being a full-fledged, card-carrying, upwardly mobile professional, work hard and work smart. Realize that you *are* your job and your job is a reflection of you, which means that personal development is as important as professional development. Be proactive and not just reactive; and above all, realize that your attitude is the one aspect over which you have complete control and that your attitude is a prime determinant of your future success.

When standing off at a distance and viewing in generalities those who have succeeded and those who have been derailed in business careers, I see a very simple distinction between the two groups. Only two major things will differentiate the successful from the derailed: 1) total integrity and 2) the ability to understand other people's points of view. Integrity has a very special meaning for me, because without it nothing else really matters. Total integrity covers an awful lot of ground, but basically it is an attitude that says: I will do exactly what I say I will do when I say I will do it. If I change my mind, I will tell you well in advance so that you will not be harmed by my action. It is this kind of integrity that seems to be a key element in keeping large complex company organizations from collapsing.

The things I mentioned earlier, the BMW, Rolex watches, etc., are not really success but merely the symbols of success. If you confuse real success with the symbols of success, you will end up eating the menu instead of the meal. It is sad when you encounter a person who has achieved all the symbols of success but with no lasting happiness or sense of self-fulfillment. True success is intangible; you can't point to it, measure it, or hold it in your hand. The kind of success that really matters is a state of mind. It is knowing that you did a better job than you really had to do. It is the willingness to make commitments and the integrity to keep them. It is the ability to look back over time and know that you have accomplished what you have accomplished without compromise of your principles or your integrity. It is knowing that the difference you have made for people has been a positive one. It is knowing that not all you have done was done for a paycheck but rather was done because it needed doing. The bottom line is that success is subjective; it defies any universal measure. In your heart you alone know what qualifies as a success for you; all you need to do is keep clear the distinction between true success and the symbols of success. To experience what I am talking about, I urge you to find something that needs doing and do it. You live in a society in which drug abuse qualifies as an epidemic; you live on a planet on which people are literally starving to death; you live in a country in which there are still illiterate people. All I am saying is, your world needs you. If you will devote only a small portion of your time and energy to contributing in such a way that it makes a difference for others with

no financial gain in mind, you will begin to experience success long before you start acquiring the symbols of success.

Down through the years, the so-called experts have generated many long lists of essential skills in an attempt to define the completely successful manager. In retrospect, it seems obvious that no one, not even the superlatively talented executive, can possess all of these skills. As we have all come to realize, executives, like the rest of us, are a patchwork of strengths and weaknesses. The reason why some executives ultimately get derailed while others make it all the way to the top of the ladder confirms what I think we all know but are sometimes hesitant to admit: there is no one best way to succeed. Developing a foolproof formula is not just difficult, it is just about impossible.

All of you here tonight have acquitted yourselves remarkably well here at Auburn. You have demonstrated outstanding scholastic ability, integrity, and discipline that you will find in all truly successful executives. I have no doubt that if it were possible for me to return to this campus in 20, or say 30, years that one of you will be here addressing the outstanding students.



TO FIND TIME TO READ—Mary Beth Wilbanks of the Humanities Department of the Library retired May 1, "to find more time to read some of those books I've been ordering." Pictured with her at a retirement celebration is library director Bill Highfill.

#### Behind the Headlines—

### Browsing Around RBD

By Kaye Lovvorn

Sam Hendrix's idea of heaven is a Dairy Queen—mine's a good library in which I have endless time to browse. Over the years I've frequently played hooky from what I should be studying or researching to wander down the aisles of books or magazines in Ralph Brown Draughon Library to see what I would find next.

Browsing was not something I was in the habit of doing as an undergraduate for two reasons—one being a feeling of guilt every time I picked up a book or magazine that wasn't directly related to one of my courses and the other being that when I got my introduction to the Auburn library, browsing through the stacks was not allowed.

My introduction to the library came when Mary Martin Hall and a couple of temporary buildings (bought from the Army following World War II, I suppose) housed all of Auburn University's books. Because space was so limited and books so jammed together only the library staff attempted to maneuver among them. You turned in your request for a book or books and waited however long it took the over-worked staff to unearth the books from the inner-parts of the library or one of the buildings out back.

For the twenty-two years since Ralph Brown

Draughon Library opened in 1963, we users of the library have had the privilege of getting our own books from the shelves and if a related book or two just happened to be nearby of picking them up too.

But once again less-frequently-used or older books, magazines, etc., are requiring a pink request card turned in to the circulation staff, who go down to the basement and ferret out the particular work. One recent morning I found myself filling out the third request for a book from the stacks. I suddenly remembered those long waits in the old library and began wondering how soon the majority of users of RBD will—as did the majority of the users of Auburn library before 1963—turn in all requests and wait for a staff member to get time to go find each book.

For years now, the Auburn library staff and University administrators have known that the day was coming when the library space needed to be doubled. The current building was planned with five floors and one was eliminated for lack of funds when it was constructed. Spacious enough for a couple of years after it opened, the library has long since been short of space. The number of students at Auburn has more than doubled and undergraduate as well as graduate programs have increased. Had the library had the necessary funds for the needed books, staff, and periodicals the crisis point would have been reached much sooner.

Consequently, it was good news to the faculty and students when Executive Vice President George Emert announced to the faculty that Auburn's part of the requested bond issue would include \$5 million for a library addition. Not that \$5 million will build what is needed, but next President Martin will seek \$5 million in private gifts and then go to the Board of Trustees to request a slight tuition increase to pay the other \$8 to \$10 million needed to build an addition approximately the size of the current library.

Next to the faculty, the library is the most important part of a university—the common denominator of all schools and departments—and it's exhilarating to think that planning is underway for a library that will truly be the heart of a great university, where browsing is easy and research made as uncomplicated as possible.

### People Behind Books

Although we sometimes get carried away about books and buildings when we talk about the library—like all institutions, a library is only as good as the people who staff it. The Humanities Division and the Special Collections/Alabama Room have been my favorite sections of the library for years, an interest aided by the special people who have staffed both areas. Mary Beth Wilbanks brought both together, for when I first met her she was the librarian for the Special Collections and whenever I needed anything about Alabama she was an invaluable aid. A few years ago she moved upstairs to the Humanities Division and has proved to be as great an asset there. If a library patron sought a good book to escape the workaday world or a graduate student needed assistance, she always went the extra step to be of help.

Knowing that some people enjoyed books by certain authors, Beth has been known to call up the person and tell them that their favorite writer's latest work was now on the shelf.

One of her tasks as a humanities librarian was ordering new books for the collection, and what a frustrating task it must have been to see all those new books come in and not have time to read them—although not nearly as frustrating for a devoted librarian as the long dry spell in the early Eighties when the library budget was cut, periodicals were dropped, and there was no money to order books. Through gifts to the library and Auburn Generations Funds donations as well as the increase in the library budget for the past couple of years, the Humanities Section has once again been growing. And on May 1 Beth Wilbanks retired to "read some of the books I've been ordering."

# Recent Retirees

## Home Economics Dean Galbraith To Retire

By Fowler Dugger, Jr.  
Editor AU News Bureau

She tried chemistry and she liked it—and Ruth Legg Galbraith went on to build a professional career in textile chemistry upon that first chemistry course at Purdue University.

"Coming from a small Indiana high school where I never had taken chemistry, I was terrified at the prospect of a college chemistry course," recalls the widely-known educator who will retire Aug. 31 after 15 years at Auburn University, the last 12 as dean of the School of Home Economics.

Chemistry proved to be a subject in which she did well and found enjoyable. That experience, coupled with a general interest in home economics stemming from her 4-H days while growing up on an Indiana farm, brought her college goals into focus. Thus, when she graduated from Purdue in 1945, she had a double major in textiles and chemistry. Her first job was with duPont, working with a team developing a then-unnamed synthetic fiber, soon to be marketed as orlon.

Next came a year with General Electric, again as a textile chemist but involved in testing the effect of detergents on fabrics in GE's first automatic washer. After a year with GE she decided on graduate study, returning to Purdue as a teaching assistant and research fellow.

Winning her doctorate in textile chemistry in 1950, Dean Galbraith says with a characteristic easy smile, "I had 15 job offers, for at that time such a degree was a rarity. In fact, I'm sure some schools knew nothing about me except that I had a Ph.D.!"

She chose the University of Tennessee where she taught for five years until moving to the University of Illinois where in 1962 she became chairman of the textiles and clothing division of the home economics department. Then in 1970 came the offer from Auburn to head the Department of Consumer Affairs.

Dr. Galbraith came to Auburn with an established place in research and administration, succeeding Dr. Norma Compton who was promoted to dean. Honored that same fall as a Distinguished Alumna by Purdue, Dr. Galbraith had served as secretary of the research section of the American Home Economics Association and was a member of the national steering committee for College Teachers of Textiles and Clothing, the USDA Research Task Group on rural development and family living, and the research advisory committee of the Association of Administrators of Home Economics.

Three years later when Dean Compton went to Purdue as dean, Dr. Galbraith was named dean of Auburn's School of Home Economics and head of home economics research.



TO RETIRE—Dr. Ruth Galbraith, dean of the School of Home Economics since 1973, will retire at the end of summer quarter.

Asked to summarize her 15 years at Auburn, the retiring dean says with a sly grin that her only regret is that she "became dean too soon." She explains that she had hoped to see a joint degree program bringing together textile science and textile engineering. She is pleased, however, with the collaboration between the two programs and takes pride in the comprehensive curricula offered by her school. "I think that at the undergraduate and master's level our programs are as comprehensive as those found at the larger institutions."

Another source of pride is the professionalization of work in her school's programs, although she feels that the public still too often sees only the "home" in home economics and does not appreciate the profession's role in contributing to the many goods and services undergirding homes and institutions.

Other changes that have occurred during her Auburn years include the increasing number of men on the home economics faculty—they now make up about one-fourth of the faculty. While the male majoring in home economics is still very much a minority, this number is increas-

ing, particularly at the graduate level. Fifteen years ago there were ten male undergraduates and no graduate students; today, 25 undergraduates and six graduates.

Capping Dean Galbraith's distinguished career was her selection last year as one of the 75 Outstanding Leaders of Home Economics as the American Home Economics Association observed its 75th anniversary. Last year also saw her serving as president of the Alabama Home Economics Association. She can also look back on service in leadership positions with the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists and the American Society for Testing and Materials.

What lies ahead for the retiring dean? First, some leisurely travel visiting family—a lawyer son and his wife in Atlanta and then six brothers "scattered all across the country." With numerous friends here, involvement in the community, and hobbies that run from needlework and house-painting to gardening, she anticipates no problems in being happily occupied. In her words, "I've never been bored in my work and I can't see any possibility of being bored in my retirement!"

## Alumni Invited To Join Home Economics Dean's Retirement Festivities

Dean Ruth L. Galbraith, who is to retire at the end of summer quarter, will be honored at a farewell dinner on August 23.

Members of the committee planning Dean Galbraith's retirement activities invite alumni to participate. First of all, they invite contributions to the Ruth L. Galbraith Endowed Scholarship, which will be established through the Auburn University Foundation. They also request letters for a book to be presented to the dean on August 23 and, finally, they invite alumni to attend the farewell dinner.

Contributions for the Ruth L. Galbraith Scholarship can be sent to the Auburn University Foundation or to the School of Home Economics, but all checks should be made payable to the Auburn University Foundation and designated for the Dean Galbraith Scholarship.

Reservations for the dinner can be made by writing Mallette Goggans, chairman of the Galbraith Retirement Committee, Spidle Hall, Auburn University, AL 36849. Letters for the 8-1/2 by 11 book to be presented to Dean Galbraith can also be sent to Mrs. Goggans.

## When Textbook Rep Wanted to Settle Down He Chose AU

By Keith Ayers  
AU News Bureau

As a representative for a large textbook publishing firm, young Dennis Hale got a close look at several Southern universities in his job. His position required him to maintain close contact with accounting departments in various schools and to become familiar with their administrators.

But when he decided to give up his road job for one that would allow him to stay in one place for a while, he looked no farther than Auburn University.

More than a quarter century ago—1957 to be exact—Prof. Hale joined the AU accounting faculty, after earning the B.S. from Middle Tennessee State and the M.S. from Peabody. Now, upon his retirement at the end of spring quarter, he says he's never regretted his choice.

"The highlight of it all has been the many very fine students whom I have taught that have gone out to be successful accountants," he said.

During his retirement Prof. Hale plans to continue close associations with his faculty colleagues. His wife, Frances, who retired from the Vocational and Adult Education Department a few years ago, has been busy since her retirement as an Auburn City Council member.

Before coming to Auburn, Prof. Hale spent three years in the Navy during World War II as a radio operator and six on

the faculty of Athens College in North Alabama. Looking back, the Tullahoma, Tenn., native said there was just something special about Auburn that lured him to settle here.

"There was something about the people here ... I just liked them," he said.

"And I don't ever plan to leave."

## Retiring Prof. Hill Excited About the Future of Finance & Accounting Dept.

By Keith Ayers  
AU News Bureau

A J Hill, an accounting and finance faculty member who helped create the city school system and served 17 years as Auburn's first school board chairman, retired at the end of spring quarter.

"It was very rewarding and exhausting," Prof. Hill reminisces about the push in the late 1950s to create the Auburn City Schools, a system that eventually would provide an education for his three children.

"People in Auburn believe in good schools, and if you challenge them, they'll pay for them."

With that firm belief, Prof. Hill was a leader in the drive to create a school system apart from the county, so it could be improved via city tax revenues. While new taxes are rarely popular, the city approved, and upon creation of the system, he was made the first board chairman. He held the post, which he called "almost a full-time job," from 1961 until 1978.

Prof. Hill said his work with the city schools illustrated a strong belief in the importance of education—elementary, secondary and higher.

"The creation of the city school system really helped the university because faculty children could get into a good school system here when good systems weren't common."

Boosting local schools was one of many activities Prof. Hill was involved in after joining the faculty in 1949 as an instructor, following three years in the Navy and earning the B.S. at Auburn and M.B.A. at Northwestern.

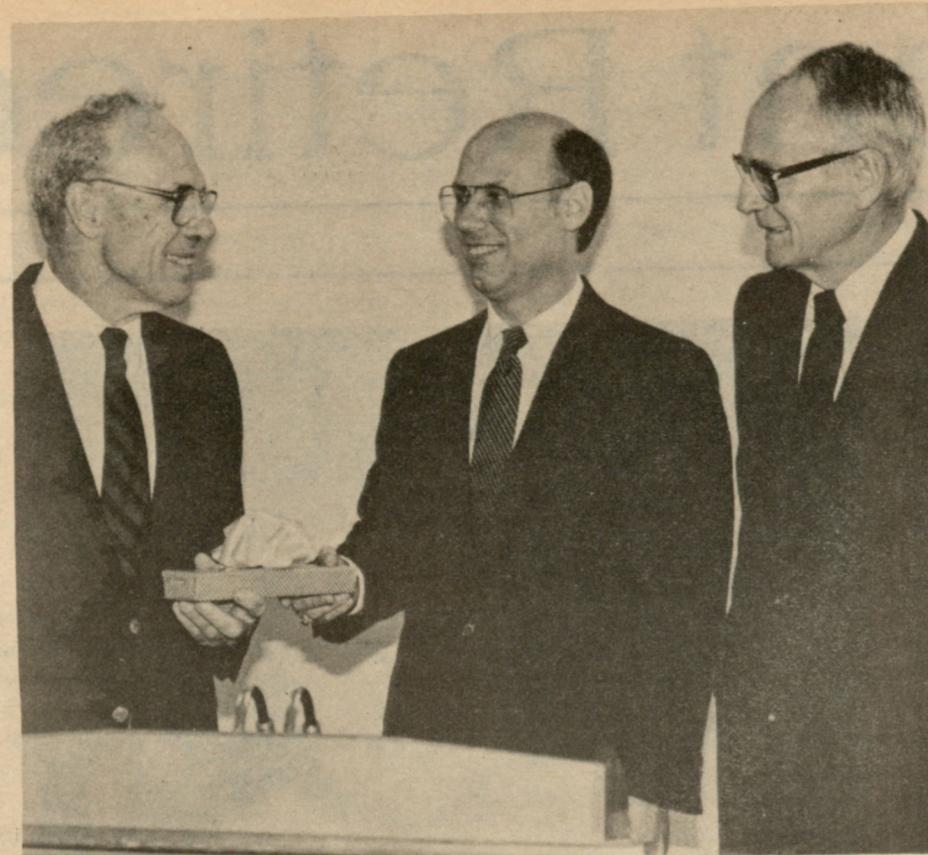
Besides teaching, he's served as assistant business manager, acting head of accounting and finance, and assistant to the vice president for academic (and administrative) affairs. He's also served on the faculty athletic committee, the committee that helped plan the creation of AUM, and the computing services advisory committee, among others.

When asked about the high point of his career, Prof. Hill, as he is known to do, chooses not to look back, but ahead.

"I'm more excited about the future than the past. In this department, we have excellent leadership, an outstanding staff, and a large group of supportive alumni. We are now ready to move to a new school of accountancy and department of finance status. This new organization will open many horizons for us and be of great benefit to future students."

Prof. Hill said he'll definitely be watching to see Auburn's progress in academics and athletics.

"Auburn is about to take off. On the university level, we have a new administration in place, we have completed success-



**DOUBLE RETIREMENT**—The Accounting Department lost two of its senior faculty members to retirement at the end of spring quarter—A J Hill and Dennis Hale. Pictured at a recent banquet, Mr. Hill, left, receives a gift from Department Head Robert Rogow as Mr. Hale looks on. The two shared an office in Tichenor in the months before their retirement and each served more than 25 years on the Auburn faculty.

fully the fund-raising drive, and future appropriations look promising.

"And," he jokes, "we have changed to the I formation."

## Vet Researcher Planned For His Retirement

By Dru McGowen  
AU News Bureau

How do you leave work that never seemed like work, and how do you know when "it's time?" If you're Dick Redding of the Auburn School of Veterinary Medicine, it's easy. You plan for it.

First, of course, you're lucky enough to be in a field that is totally absorbing. Then, about halfway through—when you're working for one university and decide to accept a new challenge—you realize that some time down the road you're going to retire. You begin to make wise money decisions, "buy" extra years at your first job, and make some investments.

You decide always to have outside interests, develop hobbies, and invest time in sports.

Just as important, you put your leave days together and take the family off somewhere. They are one of the reasons you're working and 20 uninterrupted fun days a year keep you knowing each other.

Then you stop taking your briefcase home.

Finally, you set the date, let your colleagues in on it, and if you're really lucky, they won't find a replacement right away, so you'll have to return to the office part-time until you can break the habit. Too, you're the major professor for a few students still completing graduate degrees.

Without such plans, it might have been difficult for Richard W. Redding, who joined the Auburn University faculty in 1968, to leave his job at the Scott-Richey

Veterinary Medicine Labs. Dr. Redding is the leader in the field of electrodiagnostics, particularly in adapting electroencephalography to clinical veterinary medicine. Techniques he developed have allowed the diagnosis of certain brain diseases in animals.

His work in electromyography has made it possible to diagnose diseases of peripheral nerve and muscle by evaluating the electrical activity within them. By checking such electrical activity he has been able to tell the ophthalmologist whether cataract surgery would benefit the animal.

Dr. Redding has been able to screen prospective breeding animals for hereditary disorders, assess hearing, and assess spinal cord damage to give owners an answer as to whether their pet would walk again.

Redding has shared his findings with the scientific community in numerous publications and plans to write additional papers from accumulated data. A highlight among his publications is the *Atlas of Electroencephalography in the Dog and Cat*, co-authored with Charles D. Knecht.

Recognized for his contributions, Dr. Redding was named a Diplomate in the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine in 1974. In 1979 he received the prestigious Gaines Award for Small Animal Medicine and Surgery.

"I have lots to look forward to," says Dr. Redding. "I enjoy woodworking and making things for my daughters and grandchildren." The clock in the lobby of Scott-Richey Labs attests to his expertise. He's also a botanist, photographer, fisherman, and guitarist and cares for his own pets: a dog, three cats, a parrot and a horse.

On sports Dr. Redding says, "Whatever I get into has to be a challenge to me. I enjoyed scuba diving until I felt I had seen everything there was to see underwater." He also climbs mountains and usually spends four days a year in Colorado skiing, often with students, as a way to get to know them better. He was introduced to skiing

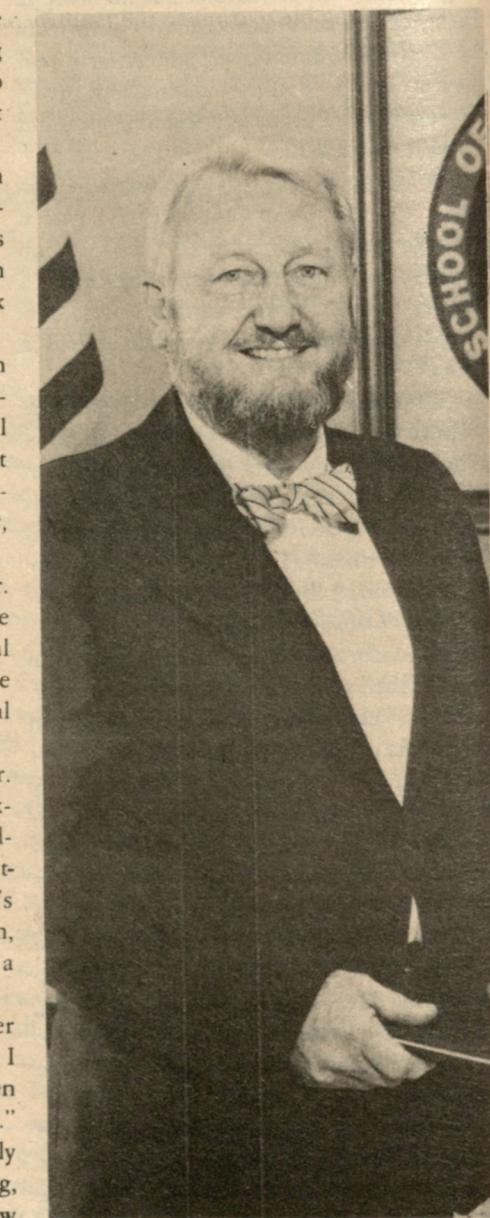
25 years ago by a graduate student at Ohio State where he taught for 17 years.

At his recent retirement reception he received 50 letters from friends made during his career, letters in which he was pictured not only as a surgeon, teacher, writer and researcher, but as "cheerful, thoughtful, energetic, fun to be with, and a converted Yankee." There was also a trolling motor and battery and a letter from President James Martin naming him professor emeritus.

Making his retirement even more pleasurable was the retirement at the same time of his wife, Barbara, as supervisor of Professional Standards Review Organization at East Alabama Medical Center.

## Outstanding Alabama ROTC Senior

Chandler C. Sherrell, a 4-year Army ROTC scholarship student and a senior majoring in political science, has been selected by the Alabama Department of Reserve Officers Association as the most outstanding senior ROTC cadet in the state. He received the award from Gov. George Wallace on May 17 and was cited for his leadership as a cadet and a student. President of Lambda Chi Alpha, Auburn's largest social fraternity, he is the winner of the 1985 George C. Marshall ROTC Award for excellence in leadership and scholarship. He was a Plainsman, an official host of the university, and has been named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities and listed in Outstanding Young Men of America 1984. In December Cadet Sherrell will receive a regular Army commission in the Army aviation branch.



Dr. Richard Redding

# Features

## Only *Plainsman* Editor Ever Fired Now Heads Journalism Department

By Mike Lennon

Meet Jack Simms, "shy, modest, and unassuming," as he describes himself. The head of the Journalism Department first came to Auburn in 1938 when his father, Dr. Bennett T. Simms '11, returned to his alma mater to become the first director of the newly-formed USDA Regional Parasite Research Laboratory.

Prof. Simms began his academic career at Auburn University in the spring of 1944 only to find it put on hold, temporarily, because of World War II. He exchanged his Auburn War Eagle for the eagle, globe, and anchor emblem of the Marines that summer and participated as a member of the 23rd Marines in the invasion of Iwo Jima on Feb. 19, 1945.

After the war, Prof. Simms, like thousands of other servicemen, picked up where he'd left off. His life-long association with journalism began as a result of the prodings of his sister and a mutual friend shortly after his return from the Far East. "My sister Mimi was the editor of the *Plainsman* from 1944 to 1945," he says. "The editor when I came back was a guy named Jimmy Coleman. He boarded at the same place where I boarded. Jimmy just kept urging me to come to the *Plainsman*, so after about two quarters I did."

Prof. Simms became editor of the *Plainsman* in 1948 and holds the distinction of being the only *Plainsman* editor ever fired for what he describes as "good clean fun." He was fired after the 1949 "April Fool's" edition ruffled one too many feathers in the administration of then president Ralph B. Draughon. "We called him Raffle B. Drone and said he'd gotten fed up with Auburn and taken a job at Loachapoka Junior High School or something like that. By today's standards you wouldn't raise an eyebrow to the stuff I was fired for—or at least for the reasons the administration gave for firing me. The real reason they fired me was because we'd attacked the university and its policies. I haven't gone through life worrying about it though."

Prof. Simms graduated from Auburn in 1949 and was off for LSU where he received his master's degree in journalism. From there he accepted a job offer from the Associated Press in Atlanta. His career with the AP lasted for more than 20 years and continues on a part-time basis to this day. Every four years since 1972 Prof. Simms has been called upon to direct the AP coverage of the summer Olympic games. His initial work with the Olympics was in 1972 during the Munich games. As he explains, "We took everything that came into our New York office and edited it into neat packages for distribution to our subscribers. When time came for us to start planning for the Montreal games (1976), I was picked to do the planning because of my experience in Munich. Well, I'd left the AP to come to Auburn in 1974, but I'd done



JOURNALISM HEAD—Veteran AP reporter Jack Simms '49 returned to Auburn to head the new Journalism Department in 1974 because he'd always wanted to come back to Auburn and he'd always wanted to teach.

—Photo by Mike Lennon

the preparation so they asked if I could get off during the summer to work the Olympics. I took leave in the summer and was one of the supervisors for the AP."

As one of two desk supervisors for the AP, Prof. Simms was instrumental in forming the first "press pool" to cover the less popular summer Olympic events like archery and the equestrian events. Each of the four major wire services—AP, UPI, Reuters, and Agency France Press—assigned four reporters and one dictationist to the pool. "We sent one reporter here and one there and then each of the four services got the same material. Instead of each service sending a reporter to cover each event, each in effect, sent one quarter of a reporter," he notes.

This money-saving idea proved to be Prof. Simms' ticket to the 1980 Olympics in Moscow. As he describes, "In 1979 I got a phone call saying that the '80 Olympics were going to cost so much money that the four services wanted to set up another international pool to cover it. They asked me to direct things because I had the experience but didn't work for any one of the services." Prof. Simms notes that the Moscow games were "a lot of fun, but security was tight to the point of being harassment." He continues, "So when they decided they were going to have to pool in Los Angeles I got the call for that one too."

Prof. Simms joined the Auburn faculty in 1974 as the head of the Journalism Department. He explains, "I'd always missed Auburn. I'd always wanted to live in Auburn and I'd always wanted to teach so it just seemed natural to return."

The Journalism Department has come a long way in the eleven years he's been here. Prof. Simms appreciates the support he's received from the School of Arts and Sci-

ences. "I think we've gotten good support from the School of Arts and Sciences, but this has been a real 'el cheapo' program for the university. They haven't put any real money into it. I guess either we don't yell loud enough or other things are more important."

Despite his complaints about the department budget, Prof. Simms is certain his program is producing quality journalists. "I think our graduates are as good as anybody's," he says. "We get that from our graduates who've been in the field for four or five years. They're working on papers with Missouri graduates and Florida graduates and they tell us that their training was as good as or better than any other school's." As for what pleases him the most about the journalism program Prof. Simms adds, "I think I'm happiest with what's happened to our graduates—to the dedicated graduates that want to be in journalism. We have a good reputation." Some of the department's more successful graduates include:

—Rheta Grimsley Johnson '77 of the *Memphis Commercial Appeal*, a two-time winner of the Scripps-Howard Writer of the Year Award and the 1983 recipient of the American Society of Newspaper Editors Award for commentary.

—Vickey Williams '80 of the *Alabama Journal* in Montgomery where she is city editor.

—Mark Winne '79, formerly of the *Birmingham News*, is a reporter for Channel 11 television in Atlanta.

—Steve Harvey '80 of the *Atlanta Constitution*.

But Prof. Simms winces at the idea of singling out a few graduates for recognition. He notes, "We have literally scores of graduates in newspaper journalism and

other areas of journalism doing extremely well."

It's tough to say whether Mr. Simms is prouder of his graduates or of his faculty. According to him, the journalism faculty has everything to do with the department's success. "We certainly aren't even in the ballpark with any other fairly decent schools or departments as far as equipment goes, but I don't think anyone has a faculty better than ours. Every one of them has gotten into teaching by accident—or maybe not by accident, but they didn't get out of college and say, 'Hey, I'm gonna teach.'"

A lot has happened to journalism at Auburn in the last decade. "Ten years is a long time—but it isn't a long time when you're measuring tradition. I said a little while ago that I think we're as good as anybody in the country. Well, somebody from Missouri is gonna laugh at me—but I'm serious about it."

What's on the wish list for the head of the Journalism Department? "We have on the drawing board right now, plans to enlarge the darkroom. If we find funds for that, and I think we will, we'll be in a much better position to teach the photojournalism section of our curriculum." Beyond wishes for Prof. Simms are dreams. He dreams aloud, "I think what we ought to have at Auburn is a communication center where the *Plainsman* and the *Glomerata* and WEGL and the journalism courses and the radio and television courses are all in the same place—I'm not holding my breath though."

## Coed Moves Into Mill World As Textile Management Trainee

By Mike Jernigan  
AU News Bureau

Valerie Ward is a woman in what has traditionally been a man's world. And she's thriving in it. The attractive, soft-spoken blonde graduated from Auburn June 7 with a degree in industrial operations management and will soon begin her job as a management trainee at the Burlington Industries plant in Rome, Ga.

There the Brewton native will find herself supervising textile workers in a job that in the past was usually reserved for men. But Valerie seems undaunted by the prospect. In fact, she seems to be looking forward to it.

"Women in industrial management are pioneers in a way because there aren't many right now," she noted. "But the opportunities for women are excellent. If you are good at what you do, the chances of eventually moving into top level management are very good."

Her immediate task at Burlington, however, will involve working her way from the bottom up, managerially speaking. Learning the terminology and how to operate machinery will be the easy part.

Valerie thinks the real test will come in handling people.

"I have a positive attitude and like communicating with people so I don't think there will be any major problems. I see myself as being able to develop the necessary assertiveness to deal effectively with job problems or people and I've never run into any career problems yet where being a woman has been a real hindrance. I look at it as a challenge."

Valerie has gone from one challenge to another during her college career. She originally transferred to Auburn from junior college to study chemical engineering, but decided after two quarters that a business career would be more to her liking. One of her professors told her about the industrial management curriculum and she decided to give it a try, even though some of her friends questioned her choice.

"The majority of women in the business field go into accounting and finance or similar areas and I think that's because manufacturing is generally seen as a kind of dirty job," she theorized. "But with the economy the way it is now, manufacturing is one of the most important jobs there is. And I'm not afraid to work hard and get dirty anyway."

She certainly hasn't been afraid to work hard while at Auburn. Valerie is a member of the American Production and Inventory Control Society and her academic performance has earned her a place in the Phi Kappa Phi and Gamma Sigma honoraries.

She also served as secretary of Phi Chi Theta, a women's business fraternity, and was a member of a team whose project won first place in the 1985 Society for the Advancement of Management National Case Competition.

Now Valerie will get the chance to put her classroom experience to work in a job where few women have gone before her. But she said she feels no extra pressure because of her gender.

"I don't think I would classify myself as a feminist. I just see myself as a person who is willing to work and get the job done, whatever it is."

## Walter Schad '65 Spends Spare Time As Walt the Clown At Cancer Research Center in Seattle

By Steve Copley

(Reprinted from Boeing News, a weekly publication of the Boeing Co. in Seattle, Wash.)

Walt Schad '65 doesn't look at you when he talks about the sterile rooms at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.

Maybe only Walt the Clown feels safe with the knowledge that only half of the children in the center's sterile rooms will be alive in the next five years.

Schad is a propulsion research engineer for the Boeing Commercial Airplane Company's 7-7 program in Renton, Wash. That is the high-tech side. Schad tries to keep his three lives separate—engineer, Walt the Clown, and just Walt, a guy who tries hard not to take pain and suffering home with him.

Three years ago Schad became Walt the Clown at the cancer center. His audience



**HELPING EASE THE PAIN**—Walter Schad '65, an engineer during the day, spends many of his spare hours preparing for his act every Tuesday night as Walt the Clown for seriously ill children at the Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, Wash.

consists of children who have walked on the edge of death for years and are now facing 100 days of treatment, perhaps their final chance at beating leukemia.

Most of the children at the center have been treated with radiation or chemotherapy before, experienced remission, then relapsed. In their 100 days at the center, they'll experience radiation and chemotherapy again. In the first week they will have a tube attached to an artery in their neck which will feed the bone marrow and other blood products into their bodies.

Fed into the tube, the donor's bone marrow will eventually grow, replacing the recipient's. But even finding a donor can be a difficult task. Leukemia patients with five or six siblings have had problems finding a donor with the proper match.

Donors and bone marrow recipients share the loneliness of the illness. The danger of picking up a contagious disease keeps young donors out of school. The leukemia victim's system has lost its ability to fight even minor diseases because of the radiation and chemotherapy. School-aged donors share a part of the leukemia patient's isolation, even attending school at the cancer research center.

The loneliness is an element that can be helped by Walt the Clown.

"Walt the Clown is a program to entertain kids," Schad said. "But you have to be clean, meticulously clean, and you can't go in there if you have a cold or other infection."

Schad's toys and stage equipment have

to be sterilized. Often his audience consists only of the patient, the child's parents, a brother or sister.

Schad puts in a good eight hours or more every Tuesday evening while making his rounds at the research center. Due to the number of children undergoing treatment, he can spend only 30 minutes in each room.

"You see a lot of kids in pain," Schad said, "going through garbage they don't deserve. About midnight I can go home and try to come down from it all."

Schad has given some thought to quitting his clown act, but he knows that is impossible. "The kids start having confidence in you," he said. "They depend on your being there and they know when it's Tuesday. I'm too chicken to quit—I'd feel too guilty."

"The things I do act as a diversion. They offer relief from the treatment. I have to have something I can give the kids, so I give them rubber finger puppets I call 'germ fighters' and some stuffed toys."

Schad also paints clown faces on the children. Like the rest of his clown act it's something he enjoys—except when he's asked to do it on days other than Tuesdays. When Schad paints a face on those days, it means a child has rejected a transplant and has given up treatment. The child is going home to die.

Schad is constantly looking for new ideas for his clown act. He plans to incorporate helium-filled balloons into the act and hand out T-shirts with clown logos on them. Despite his own ingenuity, he finds

ideas are hard to come by. And he welcomes ideas on how to improve the act. He's also looking for someone with carpentry skills to make a cart for his helium tanks.

The volunteer work of Schad and other Boeing employees is appreciated by Kim Roth, volunteer coordinator for the center's Clinical Research Division.

"Morale is an important aspect of recovery," Roth said. "Walt Schad is an integral part of respite care at FHCRC. There is no way we can thank him enough for all he has done."

## Auburn Reaches 30th Anniversary of 1st Doctoral Degrees

When President James Martin awarded 22 doctoral degrees on June 7, it marked the 30th anniversary of Auburn's first awarding of such degrees. On June 4, 1955, Auburn conferred one Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) and four Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees.

Auburn trustees in 1952 had approved five doctoral programs—the Ph.D. in animal husbandry and nutrition, mathematics, poultry husbandry, and zoology-entomology, and the Ed.D. in school administration and supervision. Now, 30 years later, Auburn offers 33 programs leading to a Ph.D. and six to the Ed.D.

In those 30 years Auburn has been a major contributor in helping to correct the shortage of highly educated teachers and researchers who can contribute to the economic development and quality of life for the state and region. The 22 candidates who received their colorful doctoral hoods on June 7 brought to 1,864 the total of doctorates that Auburn has awarded.

Two of the first five to earn an Auburn doctoral degree joined the Auburn faculty. Herman D. Alexander '50 continues as an associate professor of zoology-entomology. Howard F. Tucker '49 retired in 1981 as an associate professor in animal and dairy science. He was the first student to win the award for exceptional research given by the Auburn chapter of Sigma Xi, national research honorary.

Also earning his degree in animal husbandry was Clemens J. Ackerman '52 who went to Virginia Polytechnic Institute where he is a member of the bio-chemistry and nutrition staff.

Auburn's first Ed.D. went to Rex A. Turner '46, a co-founder and president until the mid-1970s of Alabama Christian College in Montgomery.

Appropriately, one of the first five doctoral degrees was in zoology-entomology with a major in fisheries management, a program that has become one of Auburn's most widely known with its graduates almost literally circling the globe. Abdul R. K. Zobairi '52, then a deputy director of fisheries in Pakistan, was not present to receive his degree, having been called home earlier in the year when he had completed his research. His current duties include work as a consultant for the Agency for International Development from his base in Karachi, Pakistan.

Numerous changes have marked the past 30 years at Auburn. The 1955 spring graduation was a late afternoon ceremony in Hare Stadium. Memorial Coliseum, scene

of current graduations, was not built until 1968. In 1954 fall quarter enrollment was 7,095, including 453 graduate students; this past fall the figures were 18,888 total and 1,749 graduate students. The 1955 faculty was approximately 500; today's is just over 1,000. And if yet another indicator of inflation is needed, fees then ranged from \$44 to \$52 per quarter; today, from \$365 to \$465!

## Her Route to Auburn Covered 32,000 Miles But She'll Be Here In September

By Mike Jernigan '80  
AU News Bureau

Karen McCormes didn't take the direct route to Auburn after graduating from high school at Fort Knox, Ky., in 1983. In fact, she took a route to the plains that will eventually lead her 32,000 miles out of her way.

After being accepted into the engineering program at Auburn two years ago, Karen got a chance to join "Up With People," an international touring musical performance group currently consisting of 120 students from 20 countries. She put her college plan on hold for a year and is now in the middle of a tour that has taken the group over much of the United States and Europe. When the tour ends in July, she plans to return to her parents' home in



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**Up with People**

THE LONG WAY—Karen McCormes decided to come to Auburn and then delayed beginning her studies for a year while she toured with Up With People.

Fort Hood, Tex., to rest up before entering school at Auburn.

A self-described "Army brat," Karen spent much of her life traveling around the world before joining the "Up With People" cast. Her first contact with the group came when she saw them perform as a ninth grader in Panama, where her father was stationed. Several years later, after she and her family had moved to Fort Knox, they hosted two of the group's cast members in their home during a local performance. Karen decided then and there that joining "Up With People" was worth waiting a year to attend college for.

"I really just wanted to do something different with my life for a while before starting college," she said. "I saw the 'Up With People' experience as a chance to travel and meet new people while at the same time learning more about myself. The experience I've gotten by being in the group has helped me learn to be more outspoken about my own ideas while respecting those of others."

Despite the range of her travels, Karen had never gotten a chance to visit the Auburn campus until she arrived to do advance work for a group performance in Auburn in April. What she saw only reinforced her plans to attend Auburn next year.

"I knew in advance that we were going to do a performance in Auburn so I volunteered to come down a few weeks early and help set things up. I thought it would be a good opportunity to make sure that this was the place for me."

Any doubts she may have had are gone now. Karen and Auburn fell in love at first sight.

"I talked to a lot of students and they all had good things to say about the academic standards here. And the people around town and on campus treated me fantastic. Everyone went out of their way to make me feel comfortable."

For now, Karen is back on the road with the "Up With People" group. The tour will travel many miles before winding down in mid-July. But her April trip to Auburn won't be her last. Karen McCormes, the rolling stone, plans to gather some moss for a while at Auburn.

## AU Band Gets New Uniforms, Adds Flag Corps

By Keith Ayers  
AU News Bureau

Bright. Contemporary. Colorful.

Those are the words Auburn University Marching Band Director Johnnie Vinson '65 says he hopes spectators will think of at this fall's football games when the band marches onto the field in stylish new uniforms and sporting a flashy new 24-member flag corps.

Auburn's marching band will take the field donned in white West Point coats—short in front, with tails—with blue and orange accents, of course. The band will have two sets of pants: white with an orange/blue stripe, and blue with an orange/white stripe. AU's old flat-topped band hat has given way to a "shako," a taller hat with a plume. Auburn's shako will be blue and orange with a white plume.



NEW LOGOS—Students of Nancy Mims Hartsfield '63 competed to design the logo of the proposed Auburn Humanities Center, with Rita Fain of Headland submitting the winning design to be used for the logo. She received a cash prize of \$100. Several other students received \$25 alternate prizes. From left are Walt Woodem of Marietta, Ga.; Edward H. Hobbs, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, who presented the students with certificates of appreciation along with the checks; Rita Fain; Susan Beard of Mobile; Jerry Brown '68, professor of journalism; and Lynn Herndon of Mount Shasta, Calif.

It will be the first change in the AU band uniform style in 30 years. The new suits are being paid for by an Auburn Generations Fund gift by James W. Goodwin '27 whose other examples of generosity to the university have included the main music building.

Just as visible this fall, Dr. Vinson said, will be the flag corps, clad in blue coats, that will give the band even more razzle-dazzle. It will be the first time the band ever has had a flag corps.

Dr. Vinson said both changes—the uniforms and flags—are meant to help the band better project an image of the university.

"Auburn is a bright, happy and contemporary place to be. So, we're looking for more brightness and more color," he said. "And white is the brightest color there is."

Under a recent reorganization of AU band leadership, Dr. Vinson has been named associate director of bands and has taken the helm of the marching band, succeeding Bill Walls, who has directed the band since 1969. Dr. Walls now oversees Auburn's total band program, directing the Wind Symphony, the concert bands, recruiting, administration and public relations.

Dr. Vinson directs the marching band and also works with the concert bands. A new assistant director of bands who joined the staff in June, Thomas E. Caneva, will direct the basketball pep band, help with the concert bands, and assist Dr. Vinson with the marching band. As do Drs. Vinson and Walls, Prof. Caneva also will teach in the Music Department.

Dr. Vinson, a veteran composer and arranger, will write the marching band's music. Prof. Caneva will complement Vinson's work by directing and perfecting drill routines.

Besides new suits, the marching band also will soon enjoy a new practice field. After years of 1 p.m. daily practices at various locations across campus on a "space-

available" basis, the marching band soon will have a specially fenced and grassed practice area just south of Terrell Dining Hall.

"That's something we've needed for a long time," Dr. Vinson said.

## Soldier tells about living in Honduras

By Staff Sgt. Richard D. Glynn

Working and living in different countries is nothing new for people in the United States armed forces. The call to duty may send a serviceman or woman to the ends of the earth, and almost anywhere in-between.

For Army Capt. Cary Brian Quisenberry '82, the call for duty came in the form of an assignment in the Central American country of Honduras where he's stationed.

"When I first stepped out of the C-130 transport plane onto Palmerola's airstrip, I noticed it was drier and dustier than I had expected. However, it was not as hot as I had thought it would be and the country was beautiful and very mountainous. I've always liked mountains."

Life at Palmerola could best be described as 'austere.' Service members live in temporary, prefabricated wooden buildings called C-huts. And while these buildings are a step above the tent city which occupied the area a year ago, the remainder of the facilities on the camp are a far cry from the modern facilities found on most military posts today.

"The living and working conditions aren't bad at all, at least not on my compound," said Capt. Quisenberry, the commander of the 47th Field Hospital's veterinary detachment at Palmerola. "And since my people inspect the food, I haven't had trouble eating at the mess hall."

"I've just about gotten used to showering with 50 other naked males and using a latrine that reeks of kerosene. I'm sure that when I get back to the States I'll have some readjusting to do. For the first few months back I will probably keep a cup of kerosene in the bathroom at home and when I want a shower, I'll just call up 50 of my closest friends, so I'll feel comfortable," he said.

By supporting military exercises, such as Big Pine III, service members not only gain valuable experience in their job specialties, they also learn how to cope in an environment that is beautiful, harsh, and sometimes unpredictable.

"It does get hot during the day and dust covers everything," said Capt. Quisenberry. "But at night it is very pleasant, and the dust can be taken care of with a broom. I've been in worse places doing dirtier work."

"There's a great deal of camaraderie and craziness that goes on here. It helps to ease tensions and break up the monotony. Almost everyone is positive-minded, so I don't mind being around the few negative ones."

As the commander of a six-man veterinary detachment, Capt. Quisenberry is responsible for the food inspection and animal care at Palmerola and various areas around Honduras.

"Currently we are going on joint hospital-veterinary readiness training exercises. We visit small villages that would otherwise not receive medical or veterinary care. While the doctors are helping the people, we're helping their animals," Capt. Quisenberry said.

Duty in Honduras has another face, one of learning about different cultures. The "Yanks" stationed here have the chance to sample the Latin pace of Tegucigalpa or visit the serene and stately ruins of the ancient Mayan city of Copan.

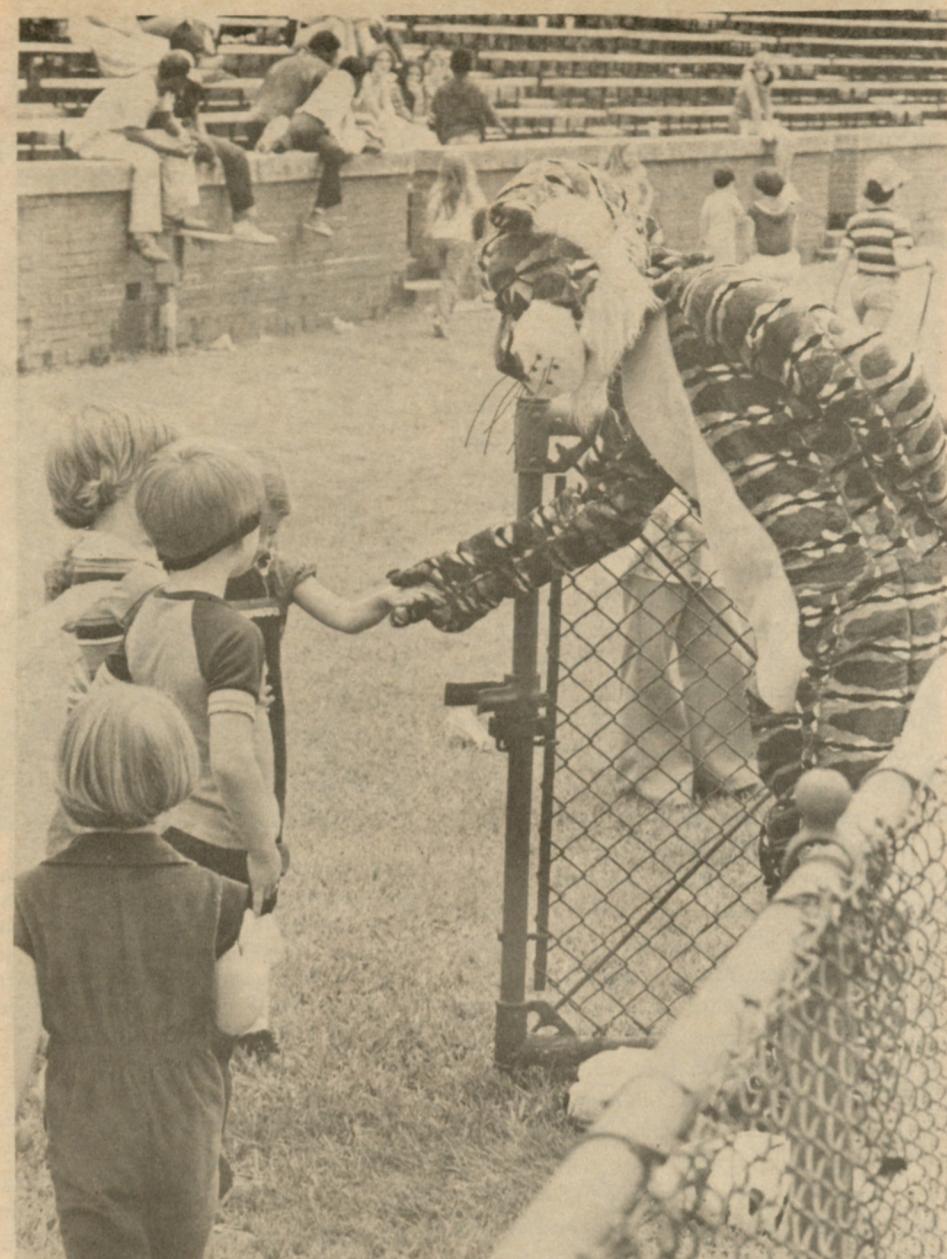
"I'm an optimist," said Capt. Quisenberry. "And although conditions down here are less than ideal, I know there are people who are worse off than myself. I'm also a Christian, and with that, I know that I will be looked after. Professionally, an assignment like this can be nothing but positive. All it takes is a little hard work. And I learned from the best—my father."

"The only bad thing about being down here is how much I miss my family and friends; I miss them all very much. But I'm proud to be from the United States of America and being down here has made me appreciate the States much, much more. I will never curse a traffic jam. As a matter of fact, I can't wait to get stuck in one," joked Capt. Quisenberry.

## How A Tradition Came to Life: Aubie at Auburn

By Sam Hendrix

He lay there, the proverbial paper tiger, swatting yellow jackets and muzzling bulldogs on Auburn football program covers for 18 seasons. Aubie the Tiger, created by Birmingham artist Phil Neel in 1958, delighted Auburn's fans by taunting and mangling the opposition, but something was always missing. Like the frozen figures on Keats' Grecian urn, Aubie had perpetual happiness but no life.



MAKING FRIENDS—Aubie first appeared at a football game at the A-Day 1979, when this picture was taken. The familiar Phil Neel cartoon character had come to life and established a new Auburn tradition.

Auburn needed an Aubie with spirit, and a director of spirit first took steps in that direction. James Lloyd '79 held the SGA's spirit office his junior year and he believed that if the cartoon tiger could come to life, it would aid a probation-haunted Auburn spirit as well as prove that Auburn's official mascot was a tiger rather than a war eagle or a plainsman.

Innovative projects often meet initial skepticism, and James had difficulty selling his idea to campus groups who could provide funding for a quality tiger suit. Finally, frustrated but ever optimistic, he approached Julian E. Holmes '62 and Tommy Lambert '74, associate directors of the Auburn Alumni Association. Dr. Holmes advised James to contact several costume manufacturers for details and then develop a budget. When James had a budget and when creator Neel had given the idea his approval, Dr. Holmes volunteered the Alumni Association's backing and in January 1979 told James to order the suit.

Several weeks later, a large box from Brooks-Van-Horn Costumes of New York arrived in the Alumni Association's afternoon mail. Addressed to J. Holmes, the parcel attracted the attention of the entire staff. Their unanimous approval of the cloth tiger head staring up from the box did not offset Dr. Holmes' surprise at the bill for \$1,350.00. He had not cleared the purchase with Executive Director Buck Bradberry, so it was up to Dr. Holmes to come up with the \$1,350.

Thanks to a group of generous Tiger fans, Aubie I was paid for with no problem.

According to Dr. Holmes, these "initial contributors to the concept of Aubie should get a great deal of credit. We all are indebted to their support." Those contributors included not only the Alumni Association itself but several members of the staff including Dr. Holmes, Mr. Lambert and *Alumnews* staffers Pat Keller and Allen Stephenson. Other contributors were: Auburn Bank and Trust Co., Jim and Betty Buford, Jack Burkhalter, Jack and Helen Dryer, Paul L. Ellen, Jr., Kess Fabian, Greater Nashville Auburn Association, David C. Hannan, Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Holmes, Judy Holmes, Trice D. Hulling, James Lloyd, Don and Jane Machen, Robert C. Mayfield, Evelyn D. Pasley, Jerry Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Renneker, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Renneker, Jr., W.C. and Ruth Romberg, Doug and Janet Smyly, Judi and Dale Stinnett, Charlie Varner, and Mink and Elaine Wilson.

Aubie, who outside his costume was James Lloyd, first appeared publicly at the 1979 Southeastern Conference basketball tournament and helped spark Auburn to two wins against favored opponents Vanderbilt and Georgia. The next year Barry Mask, as the first student especially selected to be Aubie, made him as much a part of the Auburn tradition as the Phil Neel creation had been. Since then the Auburn mascot has appeared at AU football and basketball games, pep rallies, alumni meetings and reunions, various campus promotions such as blood drives and charity revenue raisers, Christmas parades, and schools. He has become Auburn University's most

photographed and best-known goodwill ambassador.

"The persistence and foresight of James Lloyd was the key to establishing Aubie," says Dr. Holmes. "After that, it was Barry Mask and the many others who worked awfully hard to project the proper spirit of Aubie. Barry, in particular, deserves a lot of credit for working with the cheerleaders and creating an Aubie who contributed to the Auburn spirit and helped them instead of competing with them. The other Aubies have kept up that tradition."

The character of Aubie has been so energetic and so successful that the first costume has long since been replaced. The costume now costs more than \$2,000 and gets more use than ever. "Aubie has become such a hit all around that a new suit will soon become necessary," says Dr. Holmes.

"The Alumni and Development Office is currently establishing a fund to furnish a new costume when that need arises and to support Aubie in his travels to represent Auburn," continues Dr. Holmes. Checks should be made payable to Auburn University Foundation, 116 Foy Union Building, Auburn University, Alabama 36849-3501. "Be sure to restrict any contribution in the memo section of your check to the Aubie Fund or tell us in a letter that's what you want to do," he urges.

## President's Award Winner Got Her Pre-med Education As an English major

By Amy Pruitt  
AU News Bureau

Rebecca Stover is a student who took a risk. She is an English major who is going to be a doctor. How well she has succeeded is borne out by her recent selection for the President's Award as the top student in her school. That, however, is getting ahead of the story.

Although it doesn't sound especially risky for a pre-med student to major in English, there are only four English majors among the 278 pre-med students at Auburn University. And for a very good reason, according to English professor Taylor Littleton.

Dr. Littleton, Rebecca's honors thesis advisor, believes that an education requiring a person to think "both imaginatively and formulating" forces a student to move in two opposite directions simultaneously; thus most students opt to move vertically through their curriculums toward their chosen life's work, under pressure to concentrate on earning a living.

Dr. Littleton believes that Rebecca's studies in literature will make her a "doctor with a distinctive viewpoint and an imaginative, humane way of thinking."

Although Dr. Littleton unreservedly supports her choice of study, Rebecca has found that most people don't react so positively. When asked "Why did you decide to study English when you want to be a doctor?", Rebecca smiles patiently and answers this by now predictable question.

"Biology is one of my loves, but I really missed the stimulation that literature classes give you."

"When interviewing at med schools, I got mixed reactions. The director of admis-

sions for Emory's medical school is a published poet, so naturally I was made to feel more comfortable about my major. But at Vanderbilt I was asked 'How does a major in English reveal a strong interest in medicine?'"

Defending the value of literature to a doctor, Rebecca asserts, "An English major is exposed to every type of person in all situations. Shakespeare and Faulkner especially do this by removing barriers to our own limited experience and describing people and how they feel, letting the reader connect himself with the character, just as a doctor might connect himself to a patient."

Rebecca had taken only one literature class when she changed her major from biology to English her junior year. That meant jumping into upper level Shakespeare and medieval literature classes when she hadn't even completed the sophomore literature series, and not backing out when she received a "B" on her first Shakespeare test.

A "B" doesn't sound discouraging, but to a straight-A student with her eye on medical school it was panicking. Rebecca also had to adjust to the "imaginative way of thinking" that Dr. Littleton described. She obviously succeeded, as she graduated *With Highest Honor* in the University Honors Program in June.

As mentioned earlier, she is also the winner of the President's Award for the School of Arts and Sciences, Auburn's largest. It is awarded not only for academic excellence (she has a "B" in only one course), but for leadership, character, and professional promise.

Rebecca is enrolled in the University Honors Program, for which she qualified as an incoming freshman because of her superior high school grades and College Board scores. This program provides a group of specially designed courses in the freshman and sophomore years, and individual learning opportunities in the junior and senior years. An honor's thesis relating to a student's major is required for graduation.

Rebecca never considered going to an out-of-state school (she's from Decatur); she had been visiting her sister at Auburn for three years by the time she began considering schools. She turned down a scholarship to the University of Alabama, though she was told that Auburn offered no academic scholarships. She was also told that the pre-med programs at the two schools were very similar. As Rebecca says, "Once Auburn gets a hold on you, there's no resisting."

Although Rebecca is exceptionally bright, she is also unpretentious and decidedly spunky. She has not spent every minute of her college years agonizing over lab reports and English essays. She served as an officer in her sorority, president of Alpha Epsilon Delta—the pre-health honorary, and has been a leader in blood drives and a variety of other campus organizations and honoraries. She is the epitome of the well-rounded student.

Rebecca believes Auburn has provided the education she will need next fall at whatever medical school she decides on. She has been accepted at Emory, the University of Alabama at Birmingham, South Alabama, and is on the waiting lists at Johns Hopkins and Vanderbilt.

Rebecca also believes that the liberal arts are beginning to regain respect, referring to a recent report of the medical profession



**BROADENING BACKGROUND**—Although many observers of the medical field recommend that future doctors broaden their education to include humanities courses as well as the sciences, most of the pre-med students at Auburn stick with the sciences. One exception is Rebecca Stover, who majored in English. Pictured with her honors program professor, Dr. Taylor Littleton '51, Rebecca was accepted at three medical schools and will attend Johns Hopkins.

on professional education and college preparation for medicine. As she happily pointed out, one of the panel's recommendations is that "Med school faculties should modify their admissions requirements so that college students who apply and have successfully pursued a wide range of study may be viewed as highly as the students who have concentrated in the sciences."

If that recommendation is followed and given Rebecca's example, there could well be more pre-medicine-English majors at Auburn in the future!

expanded in 1958 when faculty advisors visited Thailand and Israel for direct sharing of technologies. In 1967, a cooperative project was developed between the Fisheries Department and the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID), and in 1970 the International Center for Aquaculture was established here in Auburn. From 1943 to the present, the Fisheries Department can boast of 349 foreign graduates in 66 countries around the world, with Thailand and the Philippines having the top number.

Dr. Wayne Shell '52, department head and director of the International Center of Aquaculture, says, "Of all the foreign students studying fish management in the United States, 90 percent of those will either attend Auburn, do their graduate work here, or enroll in our intensive 16-week Aquaculture Training Program." In fact, Dr. Shell adds, "If anyone goes anywhere else, they don't know about us. If they ever find out, they make an effort to come here."

The Aquaculture Training Program Dr. Shell speaks of is being conducted this Spring and Summer quarters from March 28 to July 18. This year 12 students are participating in the program from countries as diverse as Mexico, Guyana, Morocco, and Venezuela. Dr. David Rouse '71, head of the program, says, "It's always a challenge to work with a group of students from such widely different backgrounds,

some having completed PhD's and others barely high school. We've got an enthusiastic group this year, and we're seeing more and more students being sponsored by the private sectors within their own countries." Major topics covered in the program are Principles of Aquaculture, Water Quality, Hatchery Management, Fish Reproduction, Pond Construction, Fish Production, and Economics of Aquaculture. Dr. Rouse feels that this is the best program of its type offered anywhere, adding, "Once the basics are covered and the weather gets warm enough for the fish to spawn, each student will grow his own fingerling brood from scratch. At the same time, each student will work with fish from the past year's program, growing them out to eating size. This procedure allows the students hands-on work at both ends of the growing spectrum." Also included are many hours of lectures, and field trips to local fish hatcheries and processing plants. An informal graduation will be held at Comer Hall on July 18.

One tangible result of the Fisheries Department's fine record is the creation of a fisheries management troubleshooting network that spans the globe. With alumni in 66 different countries, Dr. Shell says, "It's only logical to establish a system that keeps these people updated on newer management and research techniques. We plan to publish and periodically update a 'General Practices Manual' for our graduates and overseas specialists to consult, much as a doctor would consult his 'Accepted Practices' manual when confronted with a condition he is not totally familiar with." Dr. Shell continues, "For example, a hatchery manager in Brazil can contact us and receive, via Telex or mail correspondence, specialized information and/or the location of the fishery management expert nearest him. With recent cuts in federal (AID) grants," Dr. Shell adds, "we have not made as much progress on this project as hoped. We are still in the process of drafting our manual, but hope that the network will be in full operation by 1986."

The importance of these foreign AU alumni to their respective countries cannot be overstated. In countries such as Thailand, Burma, and Liberia, fish comprise more than 50 percent of the animal protein in human diets. This fact alone stresses the need for implementing proper fish management practices in these and other developing countries. With hope and an eye to the future, the Fisheries Department and its foreign alumni plan to challenge and conquer food shortages around the world.

## Decathlon Champ, Soon-to-be Medical Student Believes In Hard Work

By Sam Hendrix

Jim Awbrey didn't earn a track scholarship when he first came to Auburn, so his winning the Southeastern Conference decathlon title for the second straight year might be viewed as a second straight upset. But beating the odds has become commonplace for the Dunwoody, Ga., senior. Five years after struggling to be accepted at Auburn University, Awbrey, whose degree is in chemistry, will enroll in medical

school at the University of Alabama in Birmingham this summer.

In colorful plaid shorts and a cotton shirt, Awbrey looks like the average Pike on his way to the lake. But unlike most of his fraternity brothers, Awbrey has other things on his mind besides what band's playing at the house this weekend.

"Hard work is the key to success." That's Awbrey's not-too-secret prescription for two decathlons, a 3.8 grade point, acceptance into medical school, and pretty much anything you want. As he says, "It's amazing what happens when you put in hard work."

Such diligence paid off for Awbrey at the Southeastern Conference Track championships at Starkville, Miss., in May as he won the decathlon with 7,572 total points, an Auburn record and the second best time ever recorded by an American-born collegian. This total is up from his winning score of 7,322 in 1984. Awbrey is the SEC's first two-time decathlon champ since Auburn's Billy Blackburn accomplished the feat in 1979 and 1980. Additionally, this spring Awbrey was named Auburn's top male scholar/athlete. And at the recent NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Austin, Tex., Awbrey captured ninth place but was among the top six Americans, so he earned All-American.

Awbrey's hard work started before he got to Auburn. Not accepted outright because of unimpressive SAT scores, he took the ACT and finally was admitted on a probationary basis. "I had to enroll in certain remedial courses," he remembers, shaking his head at that unlikely situation. Awbrey also was turned down in his initial application to medical school because his scores on the Medical College Admissions Test were "too low." With the aid of a Kaplan preparatory course, he scored high enough to get accepted the second time. But the brush with bureaucracy served to fire up Awbrey.

"If I could change one thing I'd wipe out the ACT and SAT," he said. "They don't reflect at all what type of student you make. And I think a lot of kids are judged unfairly because of their ACT or SAT scores. I'm gonna go up there [to medical school] and tear it up."

His work habits carried over into his athletics, too. After walking onto the Auburn track team, Awbrey realized he would have to do something different in order to make the team. "I saw that I couldn't run a single event here because to compete on the college level nationally—or even in the SEC—you've got to be great." So Awbrey chose the decathlon, the most demanding aspect in track because it consists of 10 diverse events: 100-meter dash, 400-meter dash, long jump, high jump, shot put, 110-meter hurdles, discus, pole vault, javelin, and 1,500-meter run.

For his specialty, Awbrey has spent approximately four hours five days a week training: usually performing over and over one or two of the events of the decathlon as well as running, weightlifting, and enduring whatever drills he could fit in, such as jumping hurdles and throwing weighted balls.

Awbrey comes from a family of hard workers. His grandfathers both started with virtually nothing and wound up with successful businesses. Awbrey's father found success via the work ethic as well. Dr. James J. Awbrey '59, who earned a mechanical engineering degree after running track



**GOOD HABITS**—Jim Awbrey, who is starting medical school this summer and a two-time SEC decathlon champ, says "It's amazing what happens when you put in hard work."

at Auburn, worked briefly with Allis-Chalmers, Inc., before deciding he wanted to be a dentist. So he enrolled at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga for a year's worth of prerequisites before being accepted into Emory University's Dental School. Today Dr. Awbrey operates three dental offices in the Atlanta area.

Dr. Awbrey isn't the only other Auburn alum in the family. Jim's aunts, Janet A. Nelson '57 of Richardson, Texas, and Trudy A. Whale of Ocala, Fla., also attended Auburn. And Jim insured himself of a real Auburn family last December 22 when he married Jill Roberson '84, who earned a degree in political science and hopes to find a legal research job in Birmingham when Jim enters medical school. They met at Auburn even though Jill and Jim had both graduated in Dunwoody High School's Class of 1980.

Awbrey might have missed his future bride while in Atlanta, but he didn't miss out on quality sports. Like fellow Auburn athletes Rob Shuler and Steve Wallace, Jim is an alumnus of the Atlanta Colts, perennial national power in Pop Warner league football.

"Ask anybody in Atlanta and they'll tell you about the Colts," Awbrey says proudly of his city-wide team. "We were national champs when I was on the 80-pound team. We flew in a jet to Cape Coral, Fla., to play for the championship and won 59-0. We won 19 games that season and outscored the opponents 468-0."

Maintaining good grades and learning complicated plays run by teams like the Miami Dolphins is heady stuff for a 10-year-old, but after you've survived all the cuts in tryouts attended by more than 500 kids, you get to believing in yourself enough to win the rugged decathlon.

Awbrey first tried the decathlon toward the end of his freshman year at Auburn.

Working hard the following summer, he thought he was ready to accomplish some things in competition his sophomore year. It wasn't to be. Straining for those extra inches that might make the difference in the long jump against Clemson in 1982, Awbrey's hamstring snapped. End of season. Redshirt.

"I didn't mind," he now says. "I didn't feel I was doing as well as I could. Most athletes get redshirted at one time or another. I'm glad to have had a fifth year to mature."

In 1983, Awbrey placed third in the Southeastern Conference decathlon. He credits former Auburn track athlete Reid Montague '83, who's now at UAB Medical School, and Gary Bastien, an Auburn graduate assistant who was ranked third in the nation going into the '84 Olympic Trials before an injury, as helping him the most. "Of course, I never could have done it without the motivation supplied by Coach Mel Rosen," he says.

Awbrey undoubtedly was on course for the NCAA meet a year ago after winning his first SEC decathlon, but failed to qualify because of a stress fracture in his foot. This happened while he practiced high jumps during Christmas two years ago, but the injury and the resulting two-month layoff took a toll. "I went 6' 3" in the high jump my sophomore year, but after the injury I haven't been able to duplicate it," he says. "It's still a bad event for me." That explains his seventh place finish in this year's high jump, the only event in which Awbrey failed to finish first or second.

Injuries are an expected part of a decathlon athlete's life. "There's just no way you can get by in decathlon with no injuries," Awbrey says, adding that the diversity and demand of the events causes so many different strains. But if he has his way, Awbrey's life will be filled with related injuries. He hopes to go into orthopedics, specializing in knee and shoulder injuries, which is basically a sports-related area. "When somebody comes in with an injury to a knee or shoulder, I'll know what he's feeling," Awbrey says.

Even though he's headed into a demanding four years of medical school, Awbrey hopes to continue training, to maintain the level he has achieved, stay active and qualify for the Olympic Trials in three years. "You have to hit a certain standard," he says. "Another 100 points and I'll be at 7,700, which is the Olympic Trial standard." He says his chances of making the U.S. Olympic team are not too good, but that he'd "like to be able to tell my kids that I went to the Olympic Trials."

But after his academic and athletic performances at Auburn, Awbrey will surprise few of us if in 1988 he's among those going for the gold.

## Auburn Knights Annual Reunion August 1-3

The success of the 1984 Auburn Knights reunion was "superb by any measure as standing room only crowds cheered the returning bands and a returning Urbie Green and family," according to current Knights Alumni Association President Allen Cowart, who's making big plans for this year's annual get-together.

"The annual reunions continue to gain momentum as vocalists and players from all era bands return," he continued. Auburn Knights from all years are encouraged to return to the Loveliest Village of the Plains for this year's activities the first weekend in August. "You should see the campus now," emphasized Mr. Cowart. "And you would not believe the talent in the current Auburn Knights—the new bands get better every year."

Even if you can't make the reunion this year, Mr. Cowart urges all former band members to get on the mailing list to receive information on Auburn Knights happenings and coming reunions. To be included, send your name, address, phone number, period with the Knights, and instruments played, to Charlie Higgins, secretary/treasurer of the Auburn Knights Alumni Association, at 2624 Burkelaun Drive, Montgomery, AL 36111.

Each year at the reunion, all returning Knights have the opportunity to play either with their former band members, with other era bands, with the "sit-in" band, at jam sessions, or just listen to the music and visit with old friends. For those who are concerned about their present musical capabilities when compared to younger years, Mr. Cowart says, "If you think you are rusty, wait 'til you hear the guy sitting next to you." He emphasizes that most of the returning alumni only pick up their horns once a year, just to get ready for the reunion. Nevertheless, he says, "once at Auburn two or three rehearsal sessions mold the bands into units that approximate earlier days of glory. And the bands are strengthened by those who remain affiliated with the music industry."

The schedule for this year's reunion to be held at the Auburn Conference Center and Motel August 1, 2, and 3 starts on Thursday and concludes Saturday night.

Leader George Poole will rehearse the Thirties band in the pub from 1 to 3 p.m. Friday August 2 and again at the same time on Saturday August 3. They will perform on Saturday night from 8 to 9.

The Forties band will rehearse with leader Bobby Adair on Thursday August 1 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the ballroom and on Friday morning August 2 in the pub from 10 to 1. They'll be performing Friday night from 8 to 9.

The '48-'49 band has one rehearsal scheduled Saturday afternoon August 3 in the ballroom from 1 to 3. Doug Stevens is the leader. That group performs Saturday night from 9 to 10.

The Fifties band begins rehearsals at 6 on Thursday and concludes at 8:30 in the ballroom. They'll be back in the ballroom the next morning at 10 for their final session before playing that night between 9 and 10. Rick Bell is the leader.

Jim Mahaffey will lead the Sixties band in its first rehearsal in the pub at 8:30 on Thursday night. They'll get together again for a warm up session 3-5 on Friday before kicking off the program Friday night at 7.

The Seventies band will rehearse in the Auburn University bandroom on Saturday August 3 from 12 until 2 with director Joe Watson. They'll kick off the program on Saturday night at 7.

The Sit-in bands will be playing Friday night from 10 until the last horn blower goes home. They'll also be going strong by the pool playing jazz for the Saturday brunch. The current Auburn Knights will be performing on Saturday night at 10.

# Unusual Achievements

## Alum's Collection of Kerosene Lamps Now Displayed in Toronto Museum

The most comprehensive collection of kerosene lamps in the world is currently on display at Black Creek Pioneer Village in Toronto, Canada. The more than 1,000 lamps in the display, which is scheduled to close on August 13, are part of the collection of Catherine Gripton Thuro '52 and her husband, Carl. The collection has earlier been displayed at the Huntington Galleries in Huntington, W. Va. Small segments of it will be shown in Rochester, N.Y., at the Strong Museum; in St. John, New Brunswick, at the New Brunswick Museum; and in Maine at the Jones Gallery from 1985 to 1987.

A researcher, lecturer, writer, and museum consultant in the field of early lighting, Mrs. Thuro is the author of *Oil Lamps: The Kerosene Era in North America*, now in its fifth printing, and *Oil Lamps II: Glass Kerosene Lamps*. She has lectured at museums and to collector groups in the U.S. and Canada and contributed the section on lighting to the forthcoming Canadian Encyclopedia.

Mrs. Thuro has been involved in design in a number of areas including architecture, landscape, interiors, furniture, and books.



Catherine Gripton Thuro '52

She is also a photographer who has illustrated her own books as well as articles in professional journals and national magazines.

## University of Alabama Honors Auburn Alum James McMillan Class of 1929

James B. McMillan '29, professor emeritus of English and first director of the University of Alabama Press, has been honored by the University, which named the building housing the press in his honor on April 15.

A noted scholar in the field of linguistics, Dr. McMillan served on the University of Alabama faculty from 1931 to 1976. He headed the department of linguistics from 1946 to 1962 and the English department from 1962 to 1971. He also directed the University of Alabama Press from 1945 to 1962.

"J.B. McMillan was the founding father of the press—the person who established the standards of excellence for authors and for the press as publisher that we try to uphold today," said Malcolm MacDonald, current director of the Press. "We look up to him as a fine scholar, a fine administrator, and a fine teacher. He established and maintained the highest standards of scholarship for himself and encouraged others to do the same. We are very pleased that the building will carry his name."

Dr. McMillan, who received the M.A. from The University of Alabama and the Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, is the co-author of three textbooks on writing, grammar, and usage; the author of the *Annotated Bibliography of Southern American Usage*; and the author of 76 articles, book reviews, and notes in academic journals. In 1984 he provided a foreword, appendix, and index for a revised edition of William Read's *Indian Place Names in Alabama*.

Dr. McMillan has been active with Phi Beta Kappa, the American Association of University Professors, the National Council of Teachers of English, the Alabama Historical Association, the American Dialect Society, the Society for the Study of Southern Literature, and the Linguistics Study of America.

## Diabetes Hospital Named in Honor of Buris Boshell '47

In May the State of Alabama recognized Dr. Buris R. Boshell '47 for his contributions to treating diabetes by renaming the

Diabetes Research and Education Hospital of the University of Alabama in his honor. Credited as the one responsible for inspiring the endowment for the diabetic hospital begun in 1971, one of the nation's first public hospitals for diabetes, Dr. Boshell has been its medical director since 1973 and since 1977, medical director of the allied Diabetes Research and Training Center. Each year more than 30,000 patients from around the world visit the hospital, with scores of physicians attracted to its residency programs. Despite Dr. Boshell's hectic schedule of traveling, lecturing, administering, fund-raising, teaching, and researching, he still manages to see patients at the hospital.

Receiving a BS in Agricultural Science from Auburn in 1947, Dr. Boshell attended the Auburn Veterinary School for two years, then transferred to the University of Alabama School of Medicine where he studied medicine for two years before he moved on to Harvard Medical School. He completed his MD in 1953 and stayed in Boston where he became chief medical resident physician at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital and then an assistant in medicine at Harvard Medical School.

In 1959, Dr. Boshell returned to Alabama and in 1963 became director of the division of endocrinology and metabolism at the School of Medicine and in 1964, the Ruth Lawson Hanson Professor of Medicine. During the 1960s, he also served as chief of medical services at the Veterans Administration Hospital. Since then, he has served on numerous community and state boards, was inducted into the Alabama Academy of Honor, and received an Auburn honorary Doctor of Science in 1984. He is director of the Visiting Nurses Association, a director of Central Bank and Trust, member of the Governor's Task Force on Economic Recovery, the AU Research Advisory Council, and was a member of the national campaign committee for the Auburn Generations Fund.

A member of numerous professional and scholarly organizations, Dr. Boshell has served as a visiting professor in this country and abroad and was a Presidential appointee to the National Commission on Diabetes. He is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians, American College of Clinical Pharmacology and Chemotherapy, and All India Institute of Diabetes. He has authored several books and many articles, chiefly on diabetes and its treatment. In addition, as an authority on Doberman and Miniature Pinscher dogs, he has written a book on the latter.

In Birmingham where he lives with his wife, Martha Sue, he remains in demand as a dog show judge. He is a director of the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders Association and owns an outstanding herd of Egyptian-bred horses. He has a daughter, Patricia Boshell Wilson, of Birmingham and a son, Tom, a chemical engineering major at Auburn.



Ruby Parker Puckett '54

## Puckett Named Home Economics Alumna of Year

Ruby Parker Puckett '54 of Gainesville, Fla., has been named the School of Home Economics Alumna of the Year for 1984. She is director of foods and nutrition services at the University of Florida's Shands Hospital. She also has served as an advisor for the Coordinated Undergraduate Program in Clinical and Community Dietetics and teaches food systems management in the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. Earlier this year she was named the Grace M. Shugart Lecturer at Kansas State University.

Active in a number of professional organizations, Mrs. Puckett was the first president of the American Dietetic Association Practice Group for Management Dietitians. She publishes a monthly article in *Contemporary Administrators for Long Term Care*. She has received three of the highest awards bestowed by the food service industry: the Silver Plate Award in 1978, being named one of the top 50 women in food service management in 1978, and the Ivy Award in 1979.

## Fickling Named To Stock Exchange As Public Governor

William A. Fickling, Jr., '54, chairman and chief executive officer of Charter Medical Corp. of Macon, Ga., has been elected to a three-year term as a public governor of the American Stock Exchange (Amex). He founded Charter Medical, an Amex-listed company, in 1969. From 1980 to 1983 he was chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta and earlier was deputy chairman for two years.

Mr. Fickling is the recipient of a number of business and community awards. In 1984 the Macon-Bibb County Beautification Clean Community and Energy Commission named him Man of the Year. The

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# Alumni Association News

## Alumni & Development Adds Two Staffers

The Auburn Alumni and Development Office has added two new members to its professional staff. Ty Coppinger '69 joined the staff as an associate director for alumni and development and Christi Stacy Clowdus '80 as an assistant director.

Mr. Coppinger's duties will include planning athletic fund raising activities related to major construction, assisting in annual support programs for the athletic department, and attending alumni club meetings to report to alumni on athletic and capital concerns within the university. He came to Auburn from the University of South Carolina where he had been director of recruiting and administrative assistant to the head football coach since 1982. Before joining the South Carolina staff he was in public relations in Nashville after a brief stint as administrative assistant to Coach Doug Barfield at Auburn. A three-year letterman on the Auburn baseball team, he holds B.S. and master's degrees in education.

Mrs. Clowdus graduated from Auburn with a degree in family and child services. Since 1980 she has been office manager for State Farm Insurance in Auburn. In her job as assistant director of alumni and development, her main responsibility will be working with Auburn alumni, particularly the 90 Auburn alumni clubs scattered across the U.S. She is married to Philip Clowdus '72.



## Auburn Club News

COLUMBUS, GA., Auburn Club met on May 21 with approximately 85 attending the dinner. Oval Jaynes of the Auburn Athletic Department and Betty DeMent of the Auburn Alumni Association presented the program. New president of the group is Hank Hall '69, DVM. Don Hunter remains as treasurer.

WEST FLORIDA Auburn Club met April 25 in Pensacola. President James E. Martin was the special guest speaker. Club president Paul Saia presided at the meeting and John Wiley '69, past president, coordinated the affair, which consisted of a fishfry and social hour.

GREATER PIEDMONT AREA, N.C., Auburn Club met May 31 in Greensboro. More than 100 alumni and friends in the area came out to meet President and Mrs. James E. Martin. Henry Allen '48 presided. The group elected new officers for 1985-86. J. Wayne Roquemore '65 of Winston-Salem is the new president. James W. (Bill) Lester '39 of Burlington is vice president. Carole W. Fee of Greensboro is secretary and Aubrey L. Morris '49 of Kernersville is treasurer. Directors are Carl M. Sellars '48 of Burlington, Theresa Ruston Robertson '64 of Winston-Salem, Dr. John W. Barnett '62 of Greensboro, and Charles F. Howell '56 of High Point.

MIDDLE GEORGIA Alumni met on

GREATER PIEDMONT, N.C.—Pictured at the May 31 meeting of the Greater Piedmont, N.C., Area Club meeting are, in the top photo, Club President Henry Allen '48 and his wife Emalyn Jones Allen '48 of Winston-Salem with Ann Freeman Martin '57 and President James E. Martin. In the center photograph are three of the new officers elected at the meeting: Aubrey Morris '49, treasurer; Carole Fee, secretary; and James W. (Bill) Lester '39, vice president. (Not pictured is new president Wayne Roquemore '65.) At bottom are club directors John Barnett '62, Theresa Ruston Robertson '64, and Carl Sellars '48.

May 7 in Warner Robins for a banquet. The 85 alumni and friends attending heard Coach Neil Callaway talk about the upcoming football season. Outgoing president Thomas R. Fibbe '67 presided. New officers of the club are Ronald E. Parker '72, president; Dr. Richard J. Polmatier '69, vice president; Robert T. Tuggle '56, secre-

tary; and Henry Lanier Word '58, treasurer. Directors include: Philip H. Lord '63, Thomas R. Fibbe '67, Ray Duncan, Jimmy Walker '72, and Herky Baxter.

ATLANTA Auburn Club will meet on the second Wednesday of each month, beginning July 10, at Harrisons on Peachtree from 5:00 til. Plan on continuing this

tradition and be sure to tell all of your Auburn Alumni friends. Auburn Club officers look forward to seeing all alumni there. If you have any questions please contact Marty Yates at 588-5061.

OKALOOSA COUNTY Auburn Club met Nov. 26 at Eglin AFB, Fla. Larry James Benton presided. Current officers of the club are: Larry J. Benton '72, president; James L. Barton '74, executive vice president; David A. Simpson '72, vice president for scholarship; David T. Roberts '74, vice president of entertainment; Dorothy Leila Cooksey Brown, vice president for membership; Cecil O. Lewis '64, vice president of publicity; William N. Roberts '62, treasurer; and E. Anne Poythress Farver '67, secretary.

WEST GEORGIA Auburn Club met in LaGrange on May 23, with 123 members attending. Judith Eileen Cowart Langford '71 presided. New officers for 1985 are co-presidents Martha Ann King Young '68 and Luther M. (Ken) Young, Jr., '69; J. Keener Lynn '78, vice president; Doris Loretta Handley Baker '75, secretary; S. Hoyt Rogers '70, treasurer. Directors are A.W. (Bill) Yates, III, '73 and Judith Eileen Cowart Langford '71.

DEKALB COUNTY Auburn Club met May 22 in Fort Payne. Forty members attended. The speaker was David House, sports information director, who talked about the Auburn spirit. John P. Anderson '70, DMD, presided.

More than 100 MORGAN COUNTY Auburn Club members met May 23 in Decatur with Oval Jaynes of the Athletic Department and Julian Holmes of the Alumni and Development Office. Malcolm Prewitt '61, outgoing president, presided. New officers elected at the meeting are Charles W. Ashwander '79, president; Charles S. Browning, Jr., '69, vice president; Ruth Lipscomb '43, secretary; and Lotuce L. Hamm '55, treasurer.

## Auburn Grads Head Architectural Firm

KSD Architectural Associates, Inc., of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., founded in 1956 and one of the oldest architectural firms in northwest Florida has announced its new elected officers—all Auburn grads: C.J. (Jim) Kendrick, III, '51, president; James Randall Stokes '59, vice president; and Don David '53, secretary. Also working for KSD are James R. Dowling '77, formerly of Opp, and the firm's newest associate; and James Russell Kendrick '84, who is the most recent addition to the staff.

The construction-development division of KSD, Quatre, Inc., is headed by Don David, president, and two other Auburn grads—Dennis S. Hamby '77, the general construction manager and secretary-treasurer, Anthony Keel '83, project manager-estimator with the design-build firm. In addition, the architectural firm's interior design division, Contract Interior Group, has recently added another alumnus, Henry Geraux '83, as its senior designer.



BATON ROUGE—The Baton Rouge, La., Auburn Club held a luncheon meeting on May 31 with Coach Pat Dye and Alumni Director Jerry Smith. Pictured with Coach Dye, left, are club officers Dominic Cangelosi '67, secretary; George Nelson '69, president; Wesley Gibbs '81, 1st vice president; and Morris Welch '68, treasurer. Ken Musick '71, 2nd vice president, made the picture.



SAVANNAH AUBURN CLUB—A group of members of the Savannah, Ga., Auburn Club pose for a picture with Auburn President James E. Martin '54 and Dr. Julian Holmes '62, director of Alumni and Development and his wife, Judy, at a recent meeting. Pictured, left to right, are Pat O'Conner '77, Kelley Mossburg '77, Steve Yekel '73, Debbie Hayes Mossburg '78, Dr. Martin, Ed Garvin '69, Joy Garvin, Julian and Judy Holmes, Shane Quarles Barnard '80, and Scott Barnard '80.

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ALUMNI AND DEVELOPMENT AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Auburn University invites applicants and nominations for the position of Executive Director of Alumni and Development. The successful candidate must exhibit a commitment to academic excellence and be dedicated to the land-grant philosophy of providing a comprehensive program of teaching, research and public service to the people of Alabama.

The Executive Director reports to the President of Auburn University on matters relating to alumni affairs and development and is responsible for two broad areas of external contact—alumni relations and private financial support.

As Executive Director of the Auburn Alumni Association, Inc., the successful candidate would administer services—such as the Auburn Alumnews, class reunions, tour programs and speaking engagements—for all Auburn alumni, both directly and through the various local Auburn Clubs. For these matters, he/she would report to the Auburn Alumni Association Board of Directors.

As Director of Development this person would coordinate and provide leadership in fund raising from the private sector for the benefit of Auburn University. Types of fund raising activities administered include gifts for academic and research programs, athletic contributions, capital fund drives, Auburn Annual Giving, deferred gifts, and corporate and foundation support.

The successful candidate would coordinate the development activities of the office with those of the Auburn University Foundation providing staff leadership and support to those activities as required and from time to time report on fund raising results to the Foundation Board. If elected by that Board, the candidate would serve as Secretary of the Foundation.

**SALARY:** Negotiable

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:** Postmarked no later than July 15, 1985.

**TO APPLY:** Send vita, letter of application specifically addressing experience relating to each qualification above, and three names of current references including titles, addresses, and phone numbers to:

Dr. Walter L. Martin, Chair  
Alumni and Development Director Search  
President's Office  
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Auburn University, AL 36849-3501

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**COLUMBUS CLUB**—Pictured at the May 21 meeting of the Columbus, Ga., Auburn Club are: Top photo, left to right, Bill Smith '63, Velma Patterson, and Dr. Bill Patterson '51. Middle photo, incoming president Dr. Hank Hall '69, Marilyn Jones Hall '72, Michelle Cody, and outgoing president Bill Cody '67. At bottom are Bill Hudson, Mary Wigington Hudson '50, Robbie Ward Thomas '50, and S.M. Thomas '51.

# Sports



**MEN'S TRACK**—The men's track squad completed an undefeated indoor/outdoor regular season, including 2nd place in the SEC and a 17th national ranking. Pictured, front row (L to R) are: manager Chris Taylor, Mark Hastings, Mitt Fulmer, Banks Helfrich, Sammie Johnson, Jack Worthington, Calvin Brooks, Bruce Hardy, Steve Griffiths, Kevin Henderson, and Mike Trottier. Second row: manager John Parks, Derrick Anthony, Don Samuel, Brian Abshire, Randy Hudson, Brian Jaeger, Alex

Huntley, Curt Lindner, Walter Costner, and Chris Groke. Third row: head coach Mel Rosen, Forika McDougald, manager Steve Wills, Bob Sheehan, John Hansen, Glenn Ewing, Sid Maddox, Matt Parker, Adrian Anderson, Richard Cole, Brad Kovach, Butch Morrison, Daron Council, Sidney Reed, Jim Awbrey, assistant head coach Hal Cooper, and graduate assistant Coach Kelly Sullivan.



**WOMEN'S TRACK**—The women's track squad finished 6th in the SEC Indoor Championships and 10th in the SEC Outdoor Championships in 1985. Front row (L to R) are: head coach Paul Segersten, Jean Bauer, Fawn Young, Rosaline Pendergraft, Paulette Whatley, Joni Mooney, Cheryl Glenn, Gina Washington, Lisa Jones, Sadie Smith, Brenda Smith, and

graduate assistant Darryl Raines. Second row: Laurie Dady, Jenny Jackson, Brenda Malinauskas, Heidi Murphy, manager Stephanie Smith, Emily Spaulding, Karen Wierville, Lyn McDonald, Clara Hairston, and Melissa Bozeman. Back row: graduate assistant Kyle Pierce, Maria Large, Dee Dee Bailey, Kristin Kittle, Roxanne Robbins, and June Reid.



**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY**—Members of the men's cross country team that finished 5th in the SEC Championships and 7th in the NCAA District III Championships are pictured above. Front Row (sitting L-R): John Hansen, Bob Sheehan, Yul Provancha, Steve Strevell, Matt Parker, Mitt Fulmer, Brian Jaeger, and Glenn Ewing. Second Row (standing L-R): head

coach Mel Rosen, Mike Trottier, Randy Hudson, Mike Masters, Mark Hastings, Banks Helfrich, Brian Abshire, Darrel Thornton, Jack Worthington, Tom Sera, Keith Chisler, and graduate assistant coach Kelly Sullivan.

## AU Honors Athletes From All Sports

Helene Baroody, Kim Robertson, Jim Awbrey, and Bo Jackson took home the top awards at Auburn's All-Sports banquet May 20. Baroody and Jackson were named female and male athletes of the year, while Robertson and Awbrey were the top female and male scholars among lettering athletes.

Baroody, a sophomore from Annandale, Va., was point guard in the Lady Tigers' basketball team's most successful season ever, scoring 11 points per game and generally quarterbacking the team to 25 victories. Jackson, a junior from Bessemer, is the nation's best halfback but also stood out for the Tiger baseball team this spring, batting .401 with 17 homers.

Robertson, from Acworth, Ga., was a four-year basketball player at Auburn, playing both center and forward. She has a 2.83 GPA in physical education, with a 3.0 or better in five of the past six quarters. Awbrey, from Dunwoody, Ga., is the two-time SEC decathlon champ. He will begin medical school this summer after graduating with a 3.8 GPA. He earned a 4.0 eight of his final nine quarters, and made only two grades that were not A's in the past three years.

Other Athletes of the Year included:

**Baseball**—Tim Lemons, senior from Ft. Walton Beach, Fla. He hit .337 and set a single-season home run record at Auburn with 18 this year. He also holds the career record for round-trippers with 29.

**Women's basketball**—Helene Baroody.

**Men's basketball**—Chuck Person, junior from Brantley. He led the Tigers in scoring and rebounding with 22 points and 9.8 boards per game. Person was All-SEC, SEC Tournament Most Valuable Player, runnerup SEC player of the year, and second team All-American. At his current pace, Person will become Auburn's all-time leading scorer midway through next season.

**Women's cross country**—Joni Mooney, freshman from Vacaville, Calif. She was the team's top finisher in six meets and set a school record in the 3000 meters. Joni was selected team's MVP.

**Men's cross country**—Brian Abshire, junior from El Sobrante, Calif. He was an All-American and All-SEC selection this season and finished 15th in the nation in the NCAA.

**Football**—Gregg Carr, senior from Birmingham. Carr was a consensus All-American, Academic All-American, and second-time All-SEC selection this year, and was named one of the NCAA's top five scholar/athletes.

**Men's golf**—John Fridge, junior from Mobile. This second team All-SEC selection finished ninth in the Gator Invitational, seventh in the Tiger Point Intercollegiate, and fifth in the Alabama Intercollegiate. His 65 at the Imperialakeland tied for the lowest 18-hole score in Auburn golf history.

**Gymnastics**—Kathi Frick, freshman from Stratford, N.J. She set the school

record for best season floor exercise individual average and third best score in the floor exercise and all-around competition.

Women's swimming—Libby Pruden, sophomore from Wilson, N.C. She's a three-time All-American and won the SEC title in the 1650 freestyle. She was Auburn's top point producer in the SEC championships.

Men's swimming—Richie Hughey, senior from Lilburn, Ga. Richie earned 15 All-American titles during his Auburn career, including six in his senior year. He won the SEC in the 200 meter backstroke and 400 medley relay, setting SEC records in both events. He also captained the team, which finished 10th in the nation.

Women's tennis—Mary Beth Larson, junior from Stone Mountain, Ga. The number two player for Auburn, Mary Beth was a singles and doubles champ at the Alabama Intercollegiate Championship.

Men's tennis—Marius Masencamp, freshman from Pretoria, South Africa. Ranked 42nd nationally, Marius had 11 wins over top 50 players, including five wins over top 20 players this season. He made All-SEC and was selected for the NCAA singles and doubles tournament.

Women's track—Clara Hairston, senior from Walkertown, N.C. She holds the Auburn record in the long and triple jumps as well as 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 relays. Clara made All-American in the 55 meter indoor hurdles and was an NCAA qualifier in the 100 meter hurdles and in the long jump.

Men's track—Daron Council, sophomore from Sanford, N.C. Daron holds the American indoor record in the 300 meters and was an NCAA outdoor qualifier in three events—the 100 meters, 200 meters, and 4 x 100 meter relay. He won the 300 meter dash at the SEC championships and took second in the 60 yard dash. Council also broke Harvey Glance's record in the 200 meters.

## AU Women's Athletics Finishes Seventh for All-Sports Trophy

Auburn's women's athletic teams compiled 27 points in 1984-85 to finish seventh in the running for the SEC All-Sports Trophy. Florida accumulated 59 points to edge Georgia, with LSU third, followed by Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Auburn, Ole Miss, Mississippi State, and Vanderbilt.

Auburn's Lady Tiger basketball team completed its best season ever with a 25-6 record, a number nine national ranking after entering the season unranked, a record 14-game winning streak, and advancement to the final 16 of the NCAA tournament.

Women's cross country runners won two of five meets this season, and took sixth in the Southeastern Conference before their 13th place finish in the Region III championships. The gymnastics squad finished 6-15, but set a school record for best total team performance in the SEC championships. Auburn's women swimmers went 3-4, but took third place in both the Southern Intercollegiate Championships and the SEC. Auburn's women also finished 24th in the nation.

Auburn's women's tennis team compiled a 17-22 mark and took second in the Alabama Intercollegiate Championships. The women's track team finished sixth in the conference.



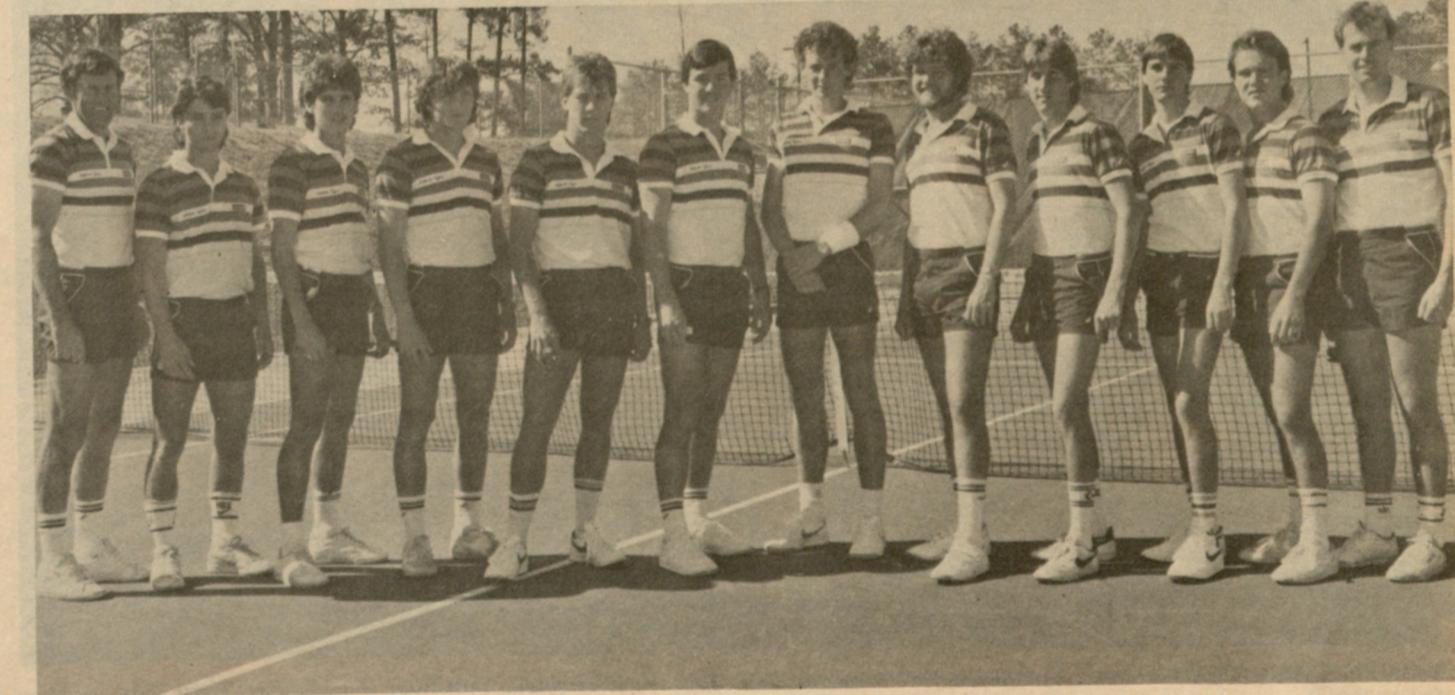
**WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY**—The women's cross country team finished 6th in the SEC Championships and 13th in the NCAA Region III Championship in 1985. Pictured above, front row (sitting L to R): Roxanne Robbins, Maria Large, Dee Dee Bailey, Kristin Kittle, and Jean

Bauer. Second Row (standing L to R): Brenda Malinauskas, Lyn McDonald, Emily Spaulding, Joni Mooney, Toni Gariano, Karen Wierville, and coach Paul Segersten.



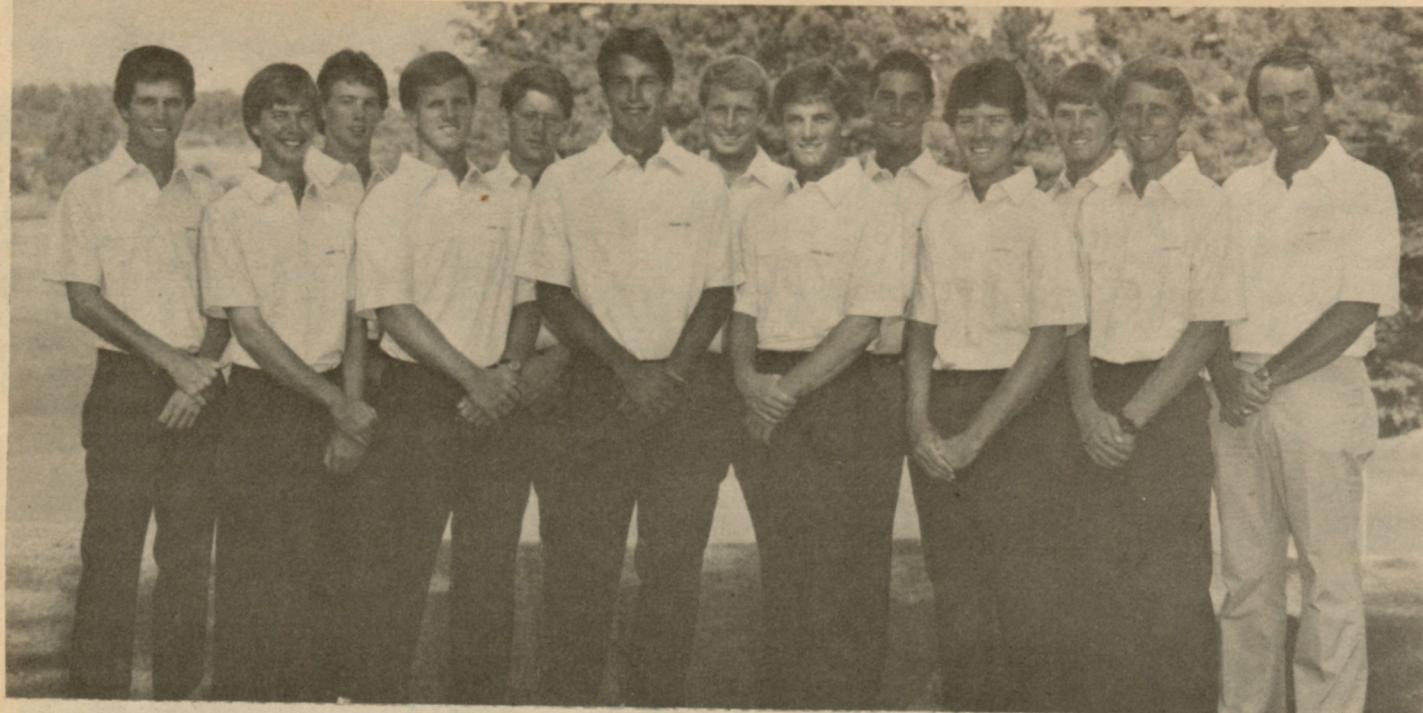
**MEN'S SWIM TEAM**—This year's men's swim team took 1st place at the Southeastern Intercollegiate Championships, 3rd at the SEC Championships, and 10th place at the NCAA Championships. Members are: front row (L to R): Tom Myers, David Drier, diving coach Rick Theobald, Scott Pechman, Scott Heber, Dale Clingner, Kenny O'Neil, head coach John Asmuth, Jay Beeson, and Jon Rousseau. Middle Row: Bill Stephen,

Gary Long, John Schley, Seth Baron, Shawn Blatt, Stan Farrel, Rod Bowman, and Rob Basset. Back row: assistant coach David Marsh, Bill Allen, John McGhee, Brad Dillon, Stephen Bauman, Rick Lowe, Per Johansson, Richie Hughey, Andy Bauer, Janne Nilsson, graduate assistant coach Jimi Flowers, Chris Byers, Tom Hilgen, and assistant coach Nick Nevid.



**MEN'S TENNIS TEAM**—Members of the men's tennis team which finished its season with a 19-20 record including 6th place at the SEC indoors and a top 30 national ranking are: Standing (L to R): head coach

Hugh Thompson, Pat Cassidy, Glenn Giovannoni, Ian Fudalla, Marcel van der Merwe, Kyle Anderson, Marius Masencamp, Roland Tekenbroek, Jeff Greenwald, Franz Kaiser, Peter Schaper, and assistant coach Colin Smith.



**MEN'S GOLF**—The men's golf team placed 5th place or better in 6 of 9 tournaments, including a top 20 rank throughout the 1985 season. Standing (L-R) are: John Fridge, Kirk Walden, Daniel Starr, Carter Mize, Doug McLeod, Mike Arasin, Crute Parker, Todd Smith, Gary Handler, Jim Curran, Pat Prins, Eric Hamilton, and head coach Mike Griffin. Not pictured are Paul Garner and John Wright.

## Tough Year For AU: Sixth Place Finish in All-Sports Race

The overall competitiveness of Southeastern Conference athletics showed this spring as the University of Georgia edged Florida for the Bernie Moore Trophy for top all-around athletic excellence. It marked Georgia's first time to claim the coveted award. Auburn, which won the award last year for the second time, slipped to sixth behind Georgia, Florida, Louisiana State, Alabama, and Tennessee. Auburn's 40½ points fell two points behind Tennessee, 15½ behind the leaders.

Auburn's highest finish in 1984-85 SEC competition was track where the Tigers under Coach Mel Rosen tied Alabama for second place. AU football and swimming squads each took third place in conference standings, but in tennis, where Auburn men had won two straight SEC titles, the Tigers came in last. Fifth place finishes in baseball and golf were respectable as both sports are rebuilding at Auburn under first-year coaches Hal Baird and Mike Griffin. But the basketball team under Sonny Smith finished a disappointing seventh in the regular season before winning the SEC Tournament and advancing to the final 16.

## Auburn Selected For Pre-Season Basketball NIT

Auburn's basketball team, which surprised everyone but themselves by winning last season's SEC Tournament and advancing to the final 16 of the NCAA, has been selected to join 15 other squads for the inaugural pre-season National Invitational Tournament Nov. 22-Dec. 1. The Tigers will represent the Southeastern Conference by facing West Virginia at Hartford, Conn., Nov. 22.

An opening round win would pit Auburn against the winner of the St. John's-Navy matchup. The second round game will be Nov. 24 with semi-finals and finals to be held at New York's Madison Square Garden Nov. 29 and Dec. 1, respectively. Other schools participating in the tournament include Tulsa, Dayton, Louisville, Miami of Ohio, Texas A&M, UAB, Duke, Lamar, Washington, Texas-El Paso, Kansas, and Pepperdine.

After finishing second to Kentucky in both the conference and tournament two years ago and then winning four straight games to capture the SEC tourney this past March, Auburn has made a name for itself in basketball. The Tigers have gone 20-11 and 22-12 the past two seasons, and the NIT selection is a reward for the success.

"I can't think of a better way to get us ready for our conference schedule," said Auburn coach Sonny Smith in regard to his team's selection. "This will give us a chance to play against tough competition early and get us tournament tough."

Auburn will see plenty of tournament action prior to the 1985-86 SEC regular season. Smith's team is scheduled to compete in the Wendy's Classic at Bowling Green, Ky., along with Chaminade, Kentucky Wesleyan, and Western Kentucky. Auburn will also be part of the Red Lobster Classic in Orlando, Fla., along with Boston College, Dartmouth, and Central Florida.



**GYMNASICS**—The gymnastics squad finished the season with a 6-15 record, including school records for best total team performance and total team average. Pictured are: front row (seated): Leigh Weatherly, Toni Johnson, Kelli Williams, Patti Colbacchini, and Becky James. Back row (standing): head coach Tabor Medill, Susie Gallis, Karen Kenlin, Kathi Frick, Liz Butler, and assistant coach Bob Moore.



**WOMEN'S SWIM TEAM**—Members of the women's swim team that finished the season with a 3-4 record, including third place in the SEC Championships, are pictured above. Front Row (L to R): Sandy McIntyre, diving coach Rick Theobald, Lisa Brodeur, Lisa Zeiser, Mary Beth Ecklein, Kandis Perry, head coach John Asmuth and Jenny Chapman. Middle Row: Katie Heyburn, Anne Rose, Darci Bodner, Tracie Tips, and Mary Monahan. Back Row: assistant coach David Marsh, assistant coach Nick Nevid, Diane Kicklighter, Dotty Linsemeyer, Libby Pruden, Maria Lindsey, Christina Pitt, Kendal Stone, Ann Klein, and graduate assistant coach Jimi Flowers.

Six of the top seven players return to next winter's Auburn basketball team, including All-American forward Chuck Person, who will be the lone senior this year. Guards Frank Ford and Gerald White are both juniors, and forward Chris Morris and center Jeff Moore will be sophomores. Smith also enjoyed a fine recruiting year, signing Michael Jones, one of the top players in the country. Jones, a 6-7 forward from Phenix City, is expected to see playing time early in his Auburn career.

## AU Trails Only Georgia in SEC Hoop Recruiting

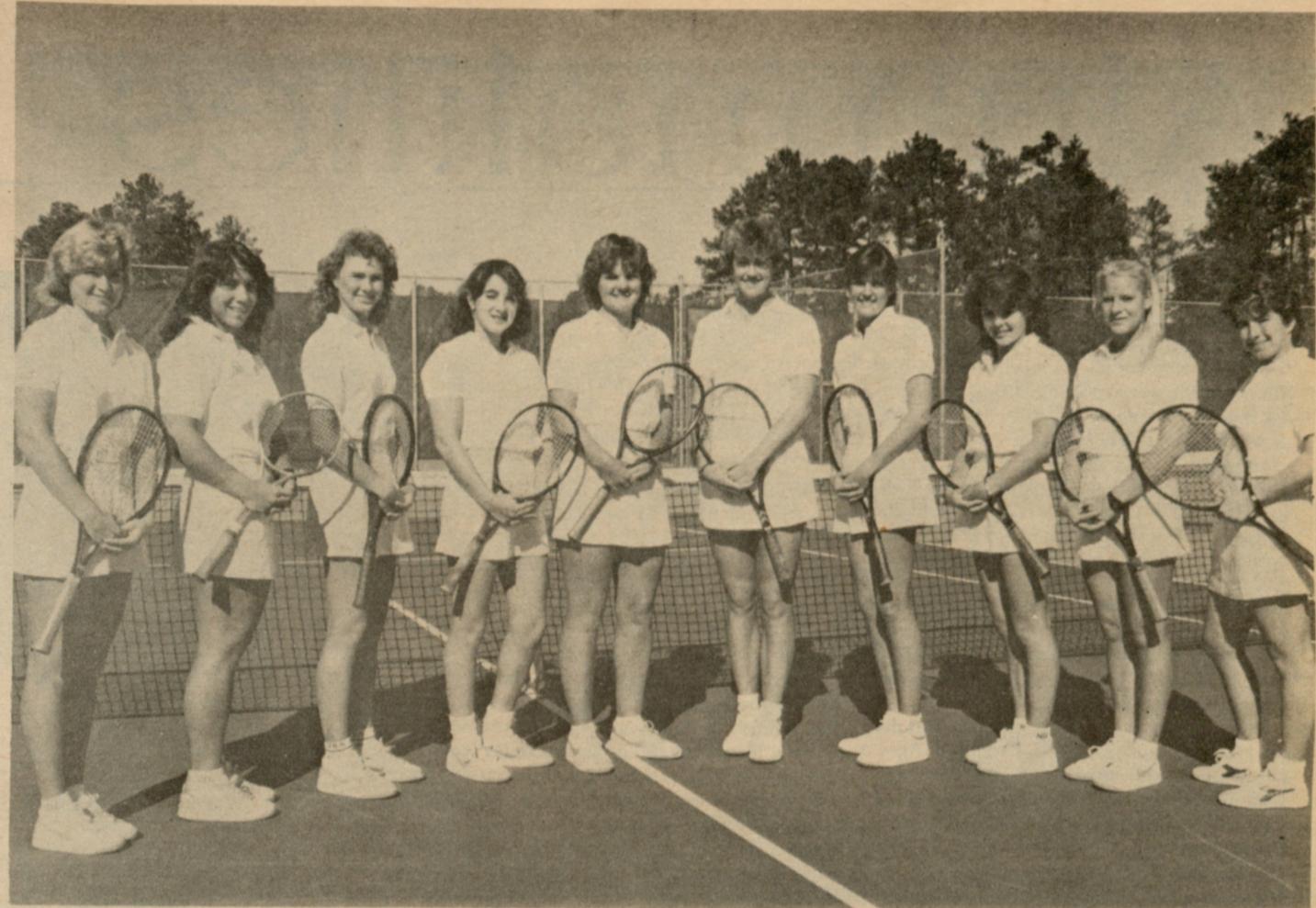
This past year's basketball recruiting in the Southeastern Conference appears to be lower in quality than in the past, due in part to the large number of returning players across the league. Auburn, for example, returns all five starters and all but two reserves. But the signing of prep All-American Michael Jones gives Coach Sonny Smith's Tigers the second best recruiting haul among SEC schools, according to national scouting reports, which put Georgia at the top.

Jones is a 6-7, 215-pounder from Phenix City who transferred his senior year of high school to Oak Hill Academy in Virginia where he averaged 22 points and 11 rebounds per outing. He is listed as the top recruit in the conference and one of the best players in the country for his blend of athletic talent, skill and competitive desire.

Smith also signed Rickey Short, 6-7 forward from Lon Morris (Texas) Junior College, who is rated seventh among SEC newcomers for this season. Short was rated among the top 30 prep players in the country three years ago, but could not make sufficient grades to enter a major university.

Auburn added a pair of guards—neither of whom are listed among the top 15 SEC recruits—in 6-1 Levertis Williams, who averaged 25 points per game as a high school senior, and 6-2 Melvin Haralson, who shot 60 percent from the field as a teammate of Short at Lon Morris JC.

After Georgia and Auburn, the recruiting powers among SEC schools favored Tennessee, Alabama, and Florida.



**WOMEN'S TENNIS TEAM**—The women's tennis team finished its season with a 17-22 record, including 2nd in the Alabama Intercollegiate Championships. Standing (L to R) are: Claudia Steffen, Heidi Rosen-

baum, Robin Sharp, Dale Osband, head coach Susie Fain, Mary Beth Larson, Michel Bates, Sue Callahan, Kristin Bolvig, and Reecia Wilson.

## No. 1 Jinx Won't Work Against AU This Season—Looking Ahead

By Sam Hendrix

The *Birmingham News'* selection of Florida in a close race over Auburn in Southeastern Conference football this fall has two advantages for Auburn: first, Florida is ineligible to win the SEC title because of probation, and second, in the 39 years the paper has conducted the poll, only two schools have won the SEC after having been selected to do so. Auburn fell victim to the jinx a year ago, being picked to win the SEC but finishing third, so maybe this

year will serve to put things in more of a Tiger perspective.

The rundown of the conference race as the *News* sees it: 1. Florida; 2. Auburn; 3. LSU; 4. Alabama; 5. Georgia; 6. Tennessee; 7. Kentucky; 8. Mississippi; 9. Mississippi State; 10. Vanderbilt.

The schedules seem to favor LSU and Georgia. LSU does not play Auburn, Georgia, or Tennessee, and its toughest games—against Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi State—are all at home. Georgia does not play Mississippi State, Tennessee, and LSU, and faces its most challenging conference foes—Alabama and Auburn—at home, with

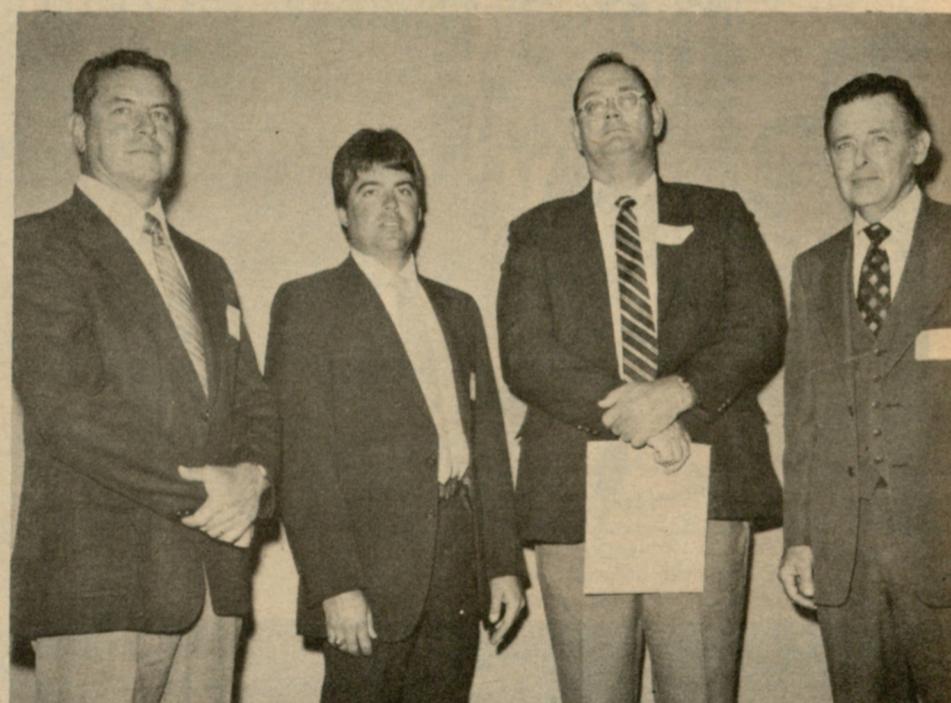
Florida in Jacksonville. All other SEC teams face at least two tough conference rivals on the road.

For Auburn, the Sept. 28 game at Tennessee could prove pivotal. Auburn is usually so tough at home that the games at Jordan-Hare Stadium, even against Ole Miss and Florida, should see the hosts prevail. The ones to worry about are at Georgia on Nov. 16 and against Alabama in Birmingham Nov. 30. But as always, there will likely be plenty of upsets in college football, so when bowl season arrives, the biggest surprise would be if somebody's pre-season poll was actually correct.

## Final SEC All-Sports Standings 1984-85

	<i>Football</i>	<i>Basketball</i>	<i>Swimming</i>	<i>Tennis</i>	<i>Track</i>	<i>Golf</i>	<i>Baseball</i>	<i>Total</i>
Georgia	T-3	2	5	T-1	5	2	2	56
Florida	1	T-5	1	5	T-6	1	3	54
LSU	2	1	7	T-1	4	T-6	4	51
Alabama	T-7	T-3	2	4	T-2	4	9	44½
Tennessee	T-5	T-7	4	3	1	T-6	T-6	42½
Auburn	T-3	T-7	3	10	T-2	5	5	40½
Kentucky	T-5	T-3	6	T-6	9	8	T-6	31½
Miss. State	T-9	T-5	—	9	T-6	9	1	25½
Ole Miss	T-9	9	—	8	8	3	10	18½
Vanderbilt	T-7	10	8	T-6	10	10	T-6	18

(Ten points awarded for a first-place finish, nine for second, etc.)



**AG HONOR SOCIETY**—Gamma Sigma Delta, the honor society of agriculture, recently elected four members for their service to agriculture. Louie G. McDonald '66, left, of the Soil Conservation Service in Jacksonville was chosen as an alumni member. Three others were elected to faculty membership: Jeffrey Thompson '80, Extension assistant county agent in Prattville; Dr. Roosevelt A. Albert, Jr., '62, School of Veterinary Medicine; and Charles Elkins with the USDA-ARS, Alabama Experiment Station at Auburn.

# Alumnalities

1915-1949

C. Woodley Harrison '15, retired chief electrical engineer with U.S. Steel, lives in Birmingham. He served on the Alabama Engineering Board from 1954 to 1969, the last ten years of which he was chairman.

Jefferson Conley Arant '33 has retired as a director of First Atlanta Bank of Warner Robins. He was a director of Citizen State Bank for 25 years until it was bought out in March 1983 by the First Atlanta Corporation. Mr. Arant also owned a furniture store which he sold ten years ago. He says he enjoys the Middle Georgia Auburn Club and can't wait for football season.

Emma Jane King '34 formerly of Miami, Fla., has moved to the John Knox Retirement Village in Pompano Beach, Fla.

Sam Gibbons '37 has retired from the Sweet Sue poultry company, which is part of ConAgra. He has been the manager of the Tennessee Walking Horse Celebration since the fall of 1949. He is also editor of the Celebration's official publication, *The Blue Ribbon*. Mr. Gibbons received Salesman of the Year in 1977 and was promoted to marketing manager, which was his title when he retired. He lives in Shelbyville, Tenn., with his wife, Fern.

Charles A. Overbey '43, an engineer and retired NASA executive, has published a new map detailing gold deposits in the "Mother Lode" region in California from Sacramento to the Nevada state line and from Yosemite National Park to Quincy. Mr. Overbey has researched geological records and old maps showing gold producing areas, then transposed the locations onto U.S.G.S. topographic maps. Map plots showing ancient riverbeds are noted, as these areas have produced millions of dollars of gold and are of special interest to gold seekers. Also included is information on gold history, background, karat content, characteristics of gold, weight and fineness, along with notes showing how and where to look for gold.

Through his own company, Big Ten, Inc., located in Cocoa Beach, Florida, Mr. Overbey has already compiled maps showing more than 1,100 gold deposits in Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and Alabama. All sites

are proven from state and federal records to produce gold in some amounts, and a few of the mines shown have been major producers of domestic gold in past years.

These maps are available from Big Ten, Inc., P.O. Box 1231, Cocoa Beach, Fla. 32931. The Mother Lode map is \$12 and those of individual eastern states are \$6 each.

Wyatt Blake Wood '44 of Mobile works with the Alabama Highway Department and plans to retire July 1986. He has a license for being a private detective and owns Wood Driving School.

George Melvin Willingham '45 and his wife, Doris Hall '52, spent several years in the Canal Zone. They now are living in Fort Payne.

Martina Reese Roser '47 is a member of Mobile Branch National League of American Pen Women, Mobile Association of Life Underwriters, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Veterans Association, and Alabama Association of Life Underwriters. She is also past president of Mobile Art Association, member of Forest Hill Garden Club, Federated Garden Club, Ladies Aux. K.C. Council, and Board of Directors of Fine Arts Museum for three years. Mrs. Roser and her husband, Raymond, have five children, R.T., Jr., Kathleen, Michael, Mary Catherine, and Lewis.

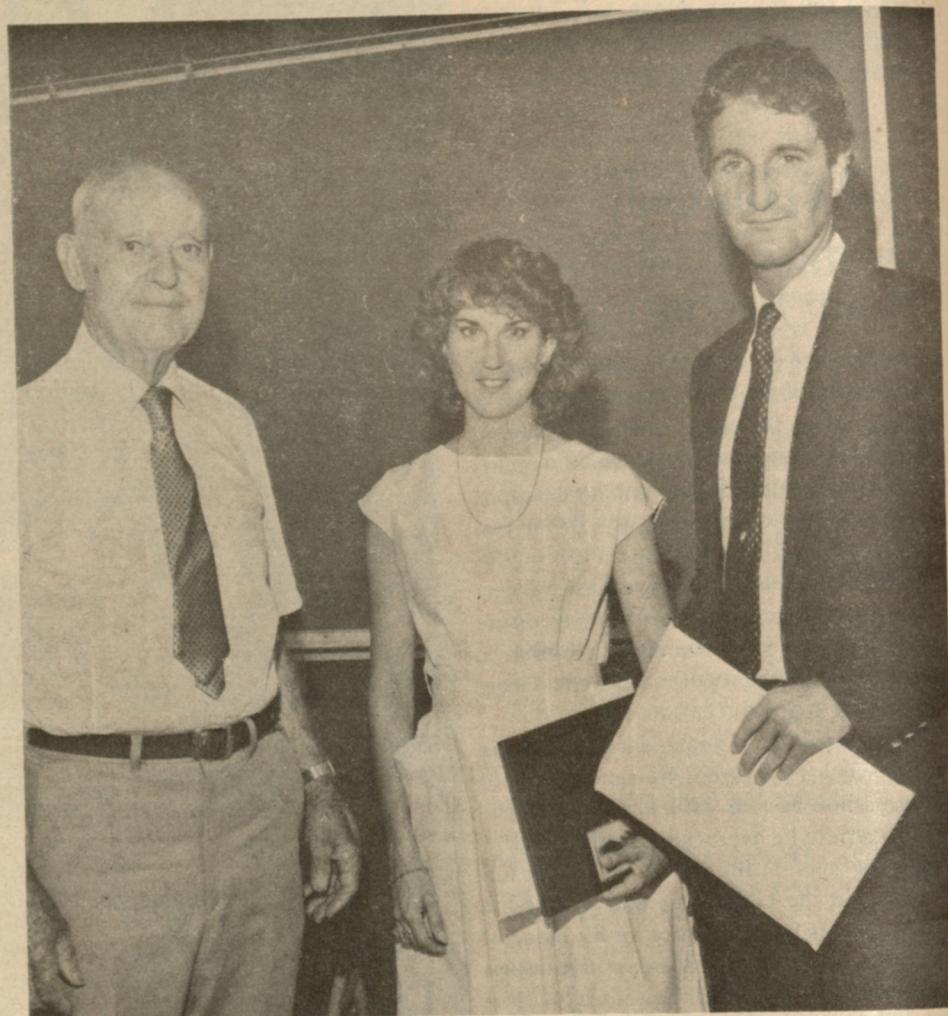
Thomas F. Parkinson '47 is on leave from Virginia Tech (VPI) and working with Virginia Power Company. His temporary residence is in Richmond, Va.

Ralph D. Bailey '48 of Marietta, Ga., retired in 1973 from Lockheed-Georgia Company.

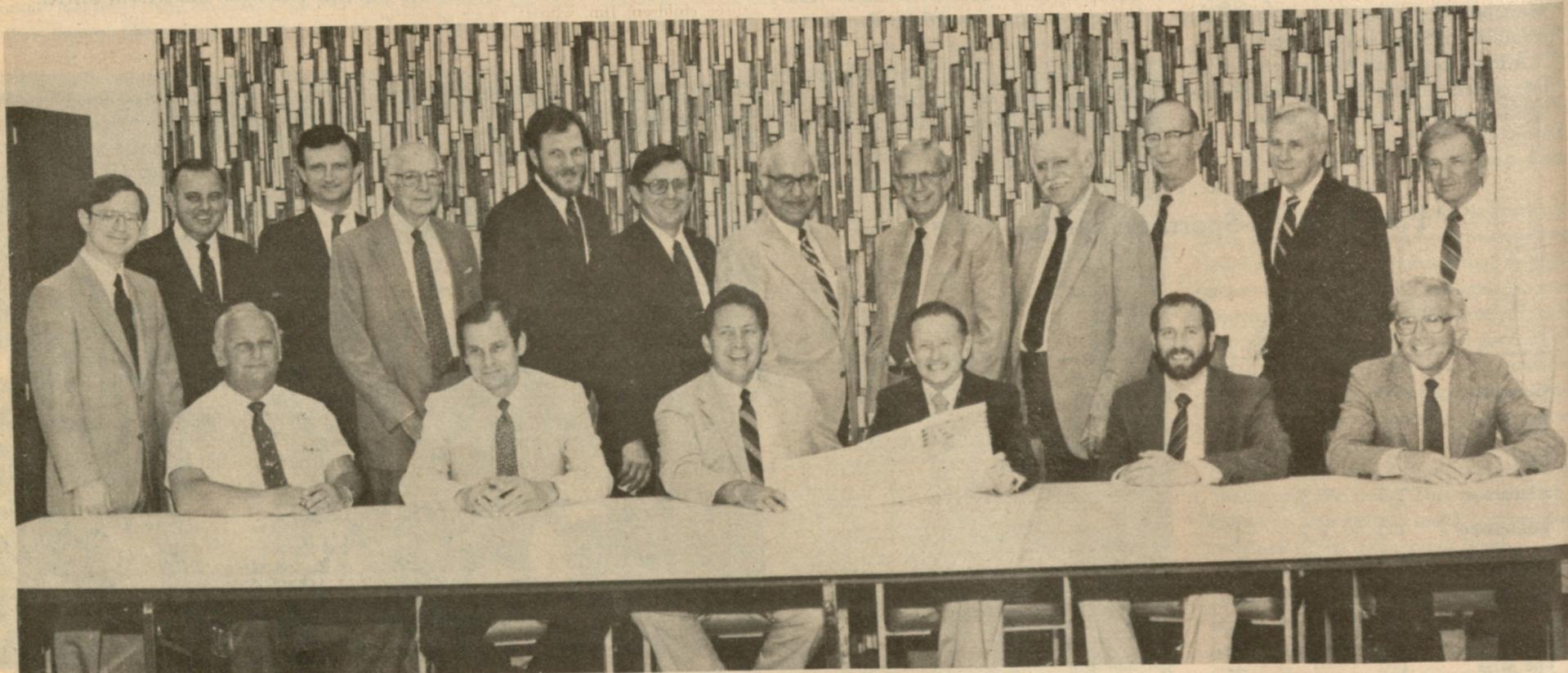
J. Marshall Lane '48 of Langdale has been promoted to the newly created position of cost manager with WestPoint Pepperell's Industrial Fabrics Division. He and his wife, Laura Sue, have a son, Robert Pitt of Phenix City.

John H. Lyons '49 of Langdale is technical coordinator-specialty products for WestPoint Pepperell's Industrial Fabrics Division. He and his wife, Janelle, have four children: Steven Bartley of Langdale; Joel Thomas and John Herman, III, of Lanett; and Suzy Janette of Langdale.

Bob Bedwell '49 is a field underwriter with New York Life Insurance Company and has qualified as a Centurion. He joined New York



**COMER MEDALS**—Two seniors received Comer Medals as outstanding students in biological and physical sciences and Auburn's first recipient of the award was present for the occasion. Olin C. Medlock '24, at left, was the first recipient of the award, established in 1923 by then-Gov. B.B. Comer and divided into two awards in 1970. Mr. Medlock retired several years ago as the state director of the Soil Conservation Service. Nancy A. Bass of Tifton, Ga., received the award in biological sciences with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Recipient of a Farm Bureau Scholarship she has won many awards at Auburn and has been accepted into medical school at the University of Alabama in Birmingham. Andrew A. Allerman of West Palm Beach, Fla., received the award for physical sciences. With a grade point of 3.86, he also was recognized by the local Phi Beta Kappa group and received the award as the Outstanding Senior in Physics.



**PHYSICAL SCIENCES & MATH**—Pictured at their recent meeting are members of the Physical Sciences and Mathematics Advisory Council. Seated, from left, are D. Reg Traylor '60 of San Antonio, Tex., Stephen Stow of Oak Ridge, Tenn., George Emert (executive vice president at Auburn), Dr. Edward H. Hobbs (dean of the School of Arts and Sciences), Dr. Greg Cox '73 of Austin Tex., and Dr. Eugene Ashby '53 of Atlanta. Standing are Dr. Tom Woods '67 of Wilmington,

Del., Jim Neely of Swannanoa, N.C., Jim Ott '64 of Research Triangle Park, N.C., James Naftel '26 of Auburn, Keith Lane '74 of San Bernadino, Calif., Tony Neathery of Tuscaloosa, John Winefordner of Birmingham, Bill Whitt '47 of Birmingham, Dr. James B. Dozier '50 of Huntsville, H. Raymond Brannon '53 of Houston, Tex., Marshall Rodgers '50 of Birmingham, and Dr. Howard Carr '36 of Auburn.

Life in 1962 and has qualified 20 consecutive years for this leadership award. He has also qualified for the Leading Producers Round Table for 15 years. Mr. Bedwell is associated with the Montgomery General Office of New York Life and maintains offices in Montgomery and Andalusia. He is past president of both the National Association of Health Underwriters and the Leading Producers Round Table.

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**Jennie Pittman Washington** '50 is the Elmore County Food Stamp supervisor. She is also the treasurer of the Alabama Association of Food Stamp Program Supervisors and Administrators, president of the Nocturne Garden Club in Wetumpka, and treasurer of the Wetumpka Chapter of Alabama State Employees Association. Her daughter, Elizabeth Anne Holliday '74, works for the Department of Pensions and Security in Elmore County-Wetumpka and has a three-year-old child. Jennie's other daughter, Georgette Mitchell, lives in Wetumpka and works at 21st Century Health Spa in Montgomery as an instructor.

**Tom Eden** '50, executive vice president of the Alabama Textile Manufacturers Association, resigned on May 1 to join the family nursery business, Garden of Eden Nursery and Garden Center, Inc., in Auburn where he is chairman of the board. Mr. Eden is a past president of the Alabama Council of Association Executives, past president of the Montgomery Lions Club and also past chairman of the Club's International Youth Camp, Lions District Governor, past chairman of the Central YMCA, vice president of the Tukabatchee Area Council Boy Scouts of America, member of the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee, past chairman of the Alabama Resource Development Committee, and past president of the boosters Senators Club at Auburn University at Montgomery. He is presently chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Auburn University Research Advisory Council. Before moving to Montgomery, he was associated with Auburn University for 16 years as a horticulture researcher and instructor, with Educational Television, and as conference director for the university. Mr. Eden and his wife, Lyn, have three children: Steve, who serves as president of Garden of Eden Nursery and Garden Center, Inc.; Tommy III, who is a lawyer in Birmingham; and Eve Golden and her family who live in Montgomery.

**C.J. Kendrick, III** '51 has been elected president of the Fort Walton Beach, Fla., firm of KSD Architectural Associates, Inc.

**Martin Watkins Thompson** '53 and **Jo Anne Mitchell Thompson** '53 live in Charlotte, N.C.,



**MAJORETTES**—The Marching Band recently selected majorettes for 1985-86. The new majorettes are (front row, left to right) Nancy Stewart of Bynum, a junior in speech communications; Gina Moore of Anniston, a sophomore in speech pathology; Patti Hollingsworth of Carrollton, Ga., a sophomore in business and Susan Laroche, a senior in early childhood education. Those on the back row include (left to right) Mary Evelyn

McGough of Sylacauga, a freshman in pre-law; Cindi West of Decatur, a junior in industrial engineering; Babs Turner of Roanoke, a freshman in public relations; Kelly Collins of Gadsden, a sophomore in finance; Kirsten White of Tucker, Ga., a senior in journalism and Susan Hardin of Montevallo, a sophomore in engineering.

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where Jo is a media specialist with the local schools and her husband is a division manager with Equitable Life Assurance Society. Marvin is a volunteer with the American Red Cross, Greater Carolinas Chapter, Blood Services Committee; and past president of Toastmasters Club. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have two children, Keith and Paula.

**Don David** '53 has been elected secretary of the Fort Walton Beach, Fla., firm of KSD Architectural Associates, Inc.

**Robert Leland Parker** '54 retired from U.S. Steel Corporation-Fairfield Works-Blast Furnace Department M. & E. on November 1, 1983 after 35 years and 6 months of continuous service. He and his wife live in Pleasant Grove.

**Joe B. Davis, Jr.**, '54 has been named AT&T's leading area vice president nationwide

for general business systems sales and marketing. Mr. Davis is responsible for AT&T Information Systems sales and marketing divisions for small and medium-sized businesses in the Southeast.

**William D. Scruggs** '54 lives in Richmond, Va. His youngest son, T. Bryan Scruggs, '85 received a bachelor's in aerospace engineering from Auburn in June.

**Robert G. McCrory** '55, DVM, was named Citizen of the Year for 1984 by the Marshall County, Ky., Chamber of Commerce. He received the award for his community service, including work on the county fair, city park improvements, and revitalization of "Tater Day," which is a trade day that goes back to 1843. Dr. McCrory and his wife, Linda, have three children: Jim, who is an employee of

Texas Gas; Dean, who is a senior at Murray State University; and Marian, who is a high school freshman.

**James E. Hemby** '56 is director of vocational education for the Dothan City Schools.

**John Dendy** '57 is vice president of light helicopter programs for Hughes Helicopters, Inc. He joined Hughes in 1972 and was manager of the design-advanced attack helicopter program until 1979. He spent two years with Gould, Inc., in the simulation systems division before returning to Hughes in 1981 as vice president of light military helicopters. In 1982 his responsibilities were expanded to include commercial helicopter programs.

**Martin C. Dorman** '57 of Opelika has been promoted to electronics group leader at West-Point Pepperell's engineering department in Valley. Mr. Dorman and his wife, Shirley, have two sons: Barry and Bradley.

**Warner T. Clark** '57 has joined the Alabama Concrete Industries Association as consulting engineer. His responsibilities will include consultations on concrete products with architects, engineers, and contractors throughout the state. Prior to joining ACIA, Mr. Clark was chief structural engineer at Sherlock, Smith & Adams, Inc., for 20 years. He served on the board of directors and was vice president of the company from 1982 through 1984. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Concrete Institute. He is also a Registered Professional Engineer in seven states.

**Capt. P. Kyle Butler** '59 was recently awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for performance of duty while serving as director of supply operations at the Navy's Defense Construction Supply Center in Columbus, Ohio. He received the award for "initiatives which resulted in a significant reduction in costs and increased material support to Military Weapons Systems through improved inventory management and forecasting techniques." Capt. Butler is now director of supply for the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N.C., with additional duty as Officer-in-Charge of the Marine Aviation Material Office, East Coast. He and his wife, Pallie Smith '58, now live in Havelock, N.C.

**Jere L. Beasley** '59 is a partner in the law firm of Beasley & Wilson located in Montgomery. They do civil and criminal trial work.

**James Randall Stokes** '59 has been elected to vice president of the Fort Walton Beach, Fla., firm, KSD Architectural Associates, Inc.



**NORTHWEST ALABAMA OFFICERS**—Officers of the Northwest Alabama Auburn Club elected at the May 28 meeting in Fayette are seated, left to right: Jerry Hester '72, vice president; Gerald Hester '50, secretary-treasurer; Tom Mullis '60, president; Olan Cunningham '54,

member of the executive committee. Standing, left to right, are executive committee members Bob Hamner '58, Harrell Trice '62, George Bolling '59, B.G. Rudisell, Randy Brown '79, and Lynn Gordon '73.



**OKALOOSA COUNTY CLUB**—Officers of the Okaloosa County, Fla., Auburn Club pictured at their November meeting are, from left, Jim Bartow '74, executive vice president; David Simpson '72, vice president for scholarship; David Roberts '74, vice president for entertainment; Anne Poythress Farver '67, secretary; Bill Roberts '72, treasurer; Dorothy (Cookie) Brown, vice president for membership; and Larry Benton '72, president. Not pictured is Cecil O. Lewis '64, vice president of publicity.

#### 1960-1962

**James F. Harwell, DVM**, '60 is new chief of the Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Section of the Veterinary Resources Branch, DRS, of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). He is also a veterinary director in the U.S. Public Health Commissioned Corps. From 1968 to 1976 he was in charge of various animal laboratory facilities at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks Air Force Base, Tex., before joining NIH. Since 1981 he had been Chief of the Comparative Medicine Unit of DRS.

**Howard E. Palms**'60 is new vice president-corporate affairs at South Central Bell Company headquarters in Birmingham. In December, he completed the Harvard Advanced Management Program at Harvard University.

**Terry Murphree** '60 of Houston, Tex., is a major stockholder, chairman, and CEO of United Steel Structures, Inc., a national building construction operation serving the oil and gas industry. In his spare time he is a marathon runner and also plays a lot of tennis.

**David C. Schultz** '61 is a research manager in the Functional Chemicals and Monomers Research Department at the Dow Chemical Co. in Freeport, Tex. He and his wife, Ann, have two children, Michael, 11, and Catherine, 6. David is past president of the Texas Gulf Coast Section of The American Institute of Chemical Engineers, a registered professional engineer in Texas, chairman of the board of Lay Ministry at Saint Mark Lutheran Church, and cubmaster of Pack 325, Lake Jackson.

**James C. Mullennix, Jr.**, '62 is new manager at WestPoint Pepperell's Lantuck Mill in Lanett. He and his wife, Betty, have three children—Cynthia Giardano, James Clark, III, and William Scott, 17.

**Lt. Charles W. Davis** '62 recently received his master's degree from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif.

**Forrest Carpenter** '62 is now forest supervisor of Allegheny National Forest of the USDA. He is past chairperson of the Pisgah Chapter of American Foresters in North Carolina, and the Skyline Chapter in Virginia. He is currently on the executive committee for the Virginia Division. He and his wife, Marie, have a daughter who attends college in Harrisonburg, Va., and a son in high school.

**Cornelia K. Witte** '62 is division coordinator of marketing programs, east metro, for Georgia Power Co. in Atlanta.

#### 1963

**James R. White** and his wife, Geraldine Walton '56, live in Tallahassee, Fla., where James is vice president of Beer Industry of Florida.

**Joseph A. Buck, II**, has been promoted to vice-president of Student Affairs and Development at Armstrong State College in Savan-

nah, Ga. He is also president of the Southern Association for College Student Affairs, an organization of 900 members from 15 southern states. He and his wife, Marilyn, have two children, Joe, IV, 13, and Sarah, 10. Marilyn recently received her doctorate from the University of South Carolina.

**Kenneth T. Henson** is head of Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Alabama. He and his wife, Sharon, live in Northport with their sons, Randy and Ken. Dr. Henson has received a Distinguished Service Award from the Ohio State University and *Theory Into Practice*, an education journal. He has authored and co-authored eight major college textbooks. His most recent book is *Education: An Introduction*.

#### 1964

**Paul E. Delchamps** lives in St. Louis, Mo., where he is new district manager for Kansas and Missouri with Alcoa Building Products.

**James W. Dumas** is director of engineering at Alabama Dry Dock & Shipbuilding Co. in Mobile. His wife, Patti, has recently opened a decorating shop, Inviting Interiors. His son, Steven, is 14 and especially loved Tiger basketball this year.

**Helga Jean Hattenhauer** is now Helga Jean Johnson. She lives in Lake Oswego, Ore.

**William H. Halliwell** is director of Pathology at Hoffman La Roche, Inc., in Nutley, N.J.

#### 1965

**Ann R. Small**, associate professor of Music for Stetson University in DeLand, Fla., recently received tenure.

**D. L. (Buddy) Merrill, Jr.**, is district manager for Georgia Power's Columbus division. He has held leadership positions in the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, the United Way, and the Kiwanis Club of Greater Columbus. He and his wife, Rebecca, have a son.

**William F. Hayes** is vice president, equipment group, for Texas Instruments. He lives in Plano, Tex., with his wife, Brenda, and their children, Laurie, 21, Christie, 17, and Brian, 12.

**George W. Glendenning** is responsible for planning and implementing marketing programs for G.C. Wallace, Consulting Engineers, Inc., in Las Vegas, Nevada. He is listed in *Who's Who in the West* and *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*.

#### 1966-1968

**Roy H. Pate, Jr.**, '66 lives in St. Petersburg, Fla., with his wife, Yoli, and their children—Tracy, 18, Todd, 15, Steven, 12, Troy, 4, and Alex, 2. Ray is president of Gas-Foods, Inc., a gasoline-convenience store company. Earlier he was retail territory manager for Chevron USA.

He is 1984-85 president of St. Petersburg Highnoon Optimist Club.

**A.J. (Art) Roch** '66 is new director of industrial modernization for the Vought Aero Products Division of LTV Aerospace and Defense. He and his wife, Eleanor, live in Duncanville, Tex., with their daughters, Amy and Jenny.

**Patsy Grant Ham** '67 is an agent for Allstate Insurance Co. in Lakeland, Fla. She has two daughters, Debbie, 14, and Laurie, 11.

**W.R. (Bill) McNair** '68, operations manager for South Central Bell headquarters in Birmingham, has been selected to participate in the Alfred P. Sloan Fellows program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Bill is one of 55 entering the year-long program and he will receive his Master of Science in Management upon completion.

**Hugh Davis Wilson** '68 is manager of pharmacy services for the Hospital Corporation of America in Nashville, Tenn. He and his wife, Kathi, have two children, Justin, 4, and Kristen, 1.

**Cdt. Vernon C. Gordon**, USN '68 has been awarded a Ph.D. in aeronautical engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. His thesis work was in the area of modern multivariable control system design. He lives with his wife, Janice, and children, Bradley and Melissa, in San Diego, Calif., where he is the avionics officer for the Commander of Naval Air Forces Pacific Fleet.

**Jimmy Harris** '68 is general manager for the Buffalo Rock Co. plant in Dothan. He is married to Elizabeth Stewart '68.

#### 1969

**Corneilous L. Hardy** is vice-president of drilling and production for Petrus Operating Company, Inc., in Dallas, Tex. Petrus is an oil and gas exploration and production company.

**John T. Shapiro** is now senior consultant in the management consulting department of Peat Marwick in Atlanta, Ga. Before joining Peat Marwick he was in sales with Puritan/Churchill Chemical Co.

**Janice Roberts Young** has opened an interior design and space planning practice, Janice Young and Associates, Inc., in Jacksonville, Fla.

**John D. Church, Jr.**, is associate director of Veterans Administratin Medical Center in New Orleans, La. He has held positions at VA hospitals in Montgomery, Ala., Minneapolis, Minn., Jackson, Miss., Shreveport, La., and the central office in Washington, D.C.

**Richard D. Kramer** is senior staff scientist at SRS Technologies in Huntsville. He is also a part-time assistant professor in the mechanical engineering and the management and marketing departments at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

**Robert F. Renart and Stephanie Wallace** of Damascus, Md., have a sailboat named "War Eagle II", complete with an orange and blue spinnaker to brighten up the Chesapeake Bay.

#### 1970-1973

**Jim Whatley** '70 practices orthopaedics in Opelika. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Lee County Medical Society, the Alabama State Medical Society, and the Alabama Orthopaedic Society. He is also a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. Dr. Whatley and his family attend Trinity Methodist Church. He and his wife, Nancy, have three children, Carolyn, 10, Mary Brunson, 6, and Rodman, 5.

**Deborah Alderman Valentine** '70 of Decatur, Ill., is a free-lance journalist and lecturer, conducting writing workshops for students, parents, and teachers. She was honored in 1978 as Misses Club Teacher of the Year and as Jaycee Outstanding Young Educator. Ms. Valentine has published more than 500 articles and received national exposure with article sales to *Gifted Children Monthly* and *Guidepost Magazine*. She recently sold a series of books for parents of gifted children to Trillium Press of New York. She is an active volunteer in schools, church, and the community of Decatur, where she and her family, including two children, moved last year from Ozark, Ala.

**Lcdr. Joseph E. McClanahan** '70 recently received his master's degree from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif.

**Michael F. Benning** '70 manages the new Tampa, Fla., office of the Atlanta-based architectural firm of Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart & Associates, Inc. The office will provide complete architectural design services for projects throughout Florida including landscape design, space planning, interior design, and site planning services.

**Lcdr. Thomas W. Foster** '70 has completed his tour with VF-142 where most recently he spent three months in the Mediterranean off the coast of Lebanon. He is now attached to Fighter Wing One Staff in Virginia Beach, Va., as training officer.

**Grover R. Murchison** '70 has been promoted to commander while serving with Attack Squadron 27, embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, homeported in Lemoore, Calif.

**J. Ladd Jordan** '70 of Albany, Ga., is president and owner of Aldridge-Jordan, Inc. He and his wife, Elmina, have two children, Meredith, 8, and Crit, 5.

**Robert J. Varley** '70 is a managing attorney with Legal Service Corporation of Alabama. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, and Montgomery



**SAVANNAH OFFICERS**—Officers of the Savannah Auburn Club pictured with Auburn President James E. Martin '54 at their recent meeting are, from left, Steve Yekel '73, treasurer; Debbie Parham Bolton '81, secretary; President Martin; Kelley Mossburg '77, vice president; and Pat O'Conner '77, president.

County Bar Association. He has two children, J.B. and Jennifer.

Claudia M. Sullivan '71 works for Advanced Technology as a consultant. She lives in Arlington, Va.

William J. Caskey '71 has been elected vice president and general manager of the Nestle Co. He worked with Carnation Co. for 11 years until it recently was purchased by the Nestle Co. He now lives in White Plains, N.Y.

Harold G. (Harry) Morris '71 of Desoto, Tex., has been promoted to vice president of engineering and materials management for Portion-Trol Foods, Inc. He has started building custom homes in the DeSoto area and he and his wife, Lana, own three Christian gift shops called Promises which are located in shopping malls in the Dallas and Fort Worth areas.

Phillip Wilson Clowdus '72 and Christi Stacy Clowdus '80 live in Auburn, where Phil is with State Farm and Christi recently has been appointed as an assistant director of Alumni and Development.

Michael Melnick '73 and his wife, Ellen Myers '74, live in Opelika and both teach in the Opelika City Schools. They and their three children—two adopted and one natural and all 3 and under—were featured in a story in *The Auburn Bulletin* in honor of Mother's Day. The Melnicks adopted their first child, Brandon, through Catholic Social Services. Jennie, a Korean baby was their second adopted child. Blake was born six weeks after Jennie arrived from Korea.

Glenn Perdue Stanford '73 is a practicing dentist in Millbrook. He and his wife, Glenda, have three children—Stacy, Stephanie, and Glenn, Jr.

Wanda Gayle Whitmore '73 is now Wanda Whitmore Wexler. She lives in Marietta, Ga.

Joel G. Holley '73 of Lanett, Chambers County district judge, was recently appointed chairman of the Standing Committee on Alabama Rules of Juvenile Procedure. As district judge, Mr. Holley presides over the juvenile court as well as all traffic and misdemeanor courts in Chambers County. He and his wife, Linda, have two children, Christy, 17, and Tammy, 13.

MARRIED: Lynne Marie Allen '73 to Kevin Micheal Tate on February 16. They live in Columbus, Ga., where Lynne has her own interior design business called Lynne Allen Interiors.

BORN: A son, Brian Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. William A. Carroll '71 of Houston, Tex., on March 4. "The first words anyone said to him came from his old man and were 'War Eagle,' of course," according to the proud father. William is director of gas purchase contract administration for United Texas Transmission Co. in Houston.

A daughter, Michael Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Mardis, Jr., (Johnnie Sue Cherneski '73) of Birmingham on Nov. 13, 1985. She joins sister Johnnie, 7.

#### 1974-1975

Ken O. Kelley '74 graduated from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in December with a Master of Divinity. He is presently pastor of Grassy Creek Baptist Church in Bullock, N.C. He and his wife, Mary Ann Dennis '72, have three children: Kal, 7, Will, 5, and Buni, 3.

Ronald E. Helms '74 is president of the Shannon Ruritan Club in Shannon, N.C. He is also a deacon and Sunday school teacher at First Baptist Church in Red Springs, N.C. He and his wife, Gail, have a son, Daren.

Robert T. Warner '74 is executive vice president of the National Association of State Aviation Officials in Washington, D.C. Prior to taking this job, he was senior vice president for government and public affairs with the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. He lives in Ellington City, Md.

Nancy Harcrow Mann '74 of Poquoson, Va., is temporarily retired from teaching and is involved in her own weaving business. She and her husband, Maj. John Mann, are expecting their second child in October.

Richard L. Skinner '74 has a family dental practice in Hueytown. He and his wife, Janice French '73, have two children, Jacob, 7, and Jessica, 3. The family lives in the Riverchase area of Birmingham.



LEADING CHEERS—When President and Mrs. James E. Martin visited the West Florida Auburn Club in April, Mrs. Martin was persuaded to join the group leading a club War Eagle. From left are Ann Freeman Martin '57, Barby Brown '78, Janet Ray Laney '74, and Tina Mann Gindl '78. In the bottom picture are club president Paul Saia '78 introducing President Martin to the 120 Auburn alumni and friends.

Lt. Col. Colyn C. Moatts '74 has been decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal at the Pentagon in Washington, where he is an intelligence staff officer with Headquarters U.S. Air Force.

Joel Thomas Lyons, Jr., '75 is serving as president of the Greater Valley Area Auburn Alumni Association. He is also employed as cost manager with the Consumer Products Division of WestPoint Pepperell.

Lucinda Roop Petway '75 and her husband, Allen, have two children, Sally, 4, and Jeffrey, 2. The family lives in Dalton, Ga.

Walt Brown '75 is general manager of WNUZ Radio in Talladega.

MARRIED: Lynda Ann Hudson '74 to Roy Powell Baker '73. They live in Savannah, Ga.

BORN: A daughter, Kathryn Martin, to Dr. and Mrs. Bob Hagler '74 on April 30. Bob is a gynecologist in Dothan. Kathryn joins sisters Brook, 8, and Hunter, 4.

A son, Chase Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. James M. Clary '74 of Akron on April 6.

A son, William Logan, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Logan Thompson (Betsy Smith '74) of Decatur on March 10. Bill joins a sister, Beth, 3 1/2.

A daughter, Anne Reynolds Wood, to Dr. and Mrs. Richard E. Wood, Jr. (June R. Howard '74) of Columbus, Ga., on March 20.

A daughter, Emily Kathryn, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Brooks, Jr. (Denise Huggins '75) on Feb 6. She joins a brother, Colin, 2.

A son, John Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Wilkinson (Amy Sue Meredith '75) of Pelham on Nov. 23. Amy is an assistant district attorney in Shelby County.

A son, Andrew Lief, to Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Kirkpatrick, Jr. (Judy Carleton '75) of Atlanta on April 12.

#### 1976

Tinsley R. Wooley is shift supervisor for the overdriving department at WestPoint Pepperell's Fairview Finishing Plant in Valley. He

Kirby Clarke Adams of Houston, Tex., has been named president of NL Erco. Prior to joining NL, he was responsible for strategic planning for National Supply Company, a division of Armco, Inc. He has a master's from the University of Virginia.

Mike Patterson has been appointed weed scientist for the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service. He received his Ph.D. in March. He and his wife, Martha, have one son, Eric.

James R. Dowling is the newest associate of the Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., firm, KSD Architectural Associates, Inc.

Dennis S. Hamby is general construction manager and secretary/treasurer of Quatre, Inc., which is the construction/development division of KSD Architectural Associates, Inc., in Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.

Keith F. Bible of Opelika has been promoted to the new position of senior cost and budgets analyst with WestPoint Pepperell's Industrial Fabrics Division. He was formerly a cost accountant with IFD.

Chris Burns of Overland Park, Kan., is a project engineer for Johnson County, Kan.

O.J. (Trey) Hodges of Columbus, Ga., is assistant plant manager at WestPoint Pepperell's Columbus Mill. He and his wife, Vicki Boland, have three children, Shanna Elise, 6, Heath Garrett, 4, and Hope, 3.

Lynn Johnson of Brantley is co-owner of Johnson Brothers Logging Co. He and his wife, Dianne, have two children, Courtney Dianne and Lacy Lynn.

Richard Leslie Stamps is now a program analyst for the U.S. Army Missile Intelligence Agency. He is also working on his master's degree at UAH. Les and his wife, Rhonda Jones, live in Huntsville.

Ann Dabney Blane of Smyrna, Ga., and her husband have one child, Peter, who will be two in October.

Carl Allen Cole, Jr., of Sheffield works for Tennessee Valley Authority of Muscle Shoals. He and his wife, Carol, have one son, Carl Allen, III, 10.

Martin M. Freeman of Houston, Tex., is corporate attorney for Zapata Gulf Marine, which is now the world's largest offshore marine transportation company.

BORN: A daughter, Kristin Blair, to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Allison (Michelle Beasley) of Pinson on February 20.

A daughter, Sarah Day, to Mr. and Mrs. Lynn W. Owen, III, of Panama City, Fla., on March 27.

#### 1978

Capt. Jack W. Presson is an assistant flight commander with the 69TFs. He flies F-4Es at Moody AFB, Ga. He lives in Valdosta, Ga.

Steven S. Anderson is attending the Navy's Surface Warfare Department Head School in Newport, R.I. He and his wife, Cindy, have a daughter, Elizabeth.

James P. Martin of Wetumpka is interim chief of the industrial branch of the water division of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management. He and his wife, Pam, have a son, Jason.

Jay R. Jones is a civil engineer with Blount Brothers Corp. of Montgomery and was recently transferred to San Antonio, Tex., where Blount Brothers is the general contractor for the new Bexar County Adult Detention Center. Jay is working with three other Auburn alumni—Dwight Morgan, Greg Gillian '83, and Bill Cox. Jay and his wife, Carolyn, a word processor operator, have a daughter, Chelsey.

Summie M. Thomas, III, works for CIBA-Geigy Corp. He lives in Columbus, Ga.

Gail Greenwald Anderson is superintendent of schools in Orinda, Calif. Last year she was president of the University of California, Santa Barbara, National Alumni Association. Her husband, Robert D., has a daughter, Lindsey, 4.

BORN: A daughter, Casie Lamora, to Mr. and Mrs. Steven Dunn (Anita Johnson) of Orange Park, Fla., on April 18.

A son, Russell Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. Myron N. Callahan (Betty Pack) of Hixson, Tenn., in 1983.

**Lynn Dawson Manly** has been promoted to retail marketing officer for SouthTrust Bank of Alabama where she has worked since 1983. She is a member of the American Institute of Banking and the Children's Hospital Auxiliary.

**Kim M. Durbin** has been appointed an assistant director of the Cooperative Education program at Auburn University. Previously, he was an instructor in the Industrial Engineering Department. He has worked with the Minority Introduction to Engineering program and is serving on the School of Engineering's planning committee for its Advanced Manufacturing Technology Center.

**Cornelia Ann Hollingsworth** recently completed her Ph.D. at the University of Nebraska. She is now a research scientist for Armour Food Co. in Scottsdale, Ariz.

**Adrienne Carol Smith** is now Adrienne Smith Wallace. She lives in Columbus, Ga.

**Richard J. Cavanaugh** works with Thurston Motor Lines in Charlotte, N.C.

**Cheryl Ann Sidshak** is now Cheryl Sidshak Fields. She lives in Durham, N.C.

**Joseph Robert Frasher** is the executive director of the Greenville Downtown Airport in Greenville, S.C.

**BORN:** A daughter, Emily Samford, to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robertson, Jr., of Fairhope on March 7.

A daughter, Kathryn Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. Dwight L. Yarbrough (Rebecca Wilkes '78) of Oxford, Miss., on Jan. 2, 1984.

A daughter, Christy Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoit (Leta Laseter) of Pelhamia Hills on April 15.

A son, William Tabb, to Mr. and Mrs. Tim McGill (Teri Tabb '82) of Fayetteville, Ga., on January 31. Tim is a mechanical engineer for Georgia Power Co.

Twins, a daughter, Kathryn Lee, and a son, Gregg Thomas, to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vanlanningham (Patricia Lee Gill) of Huntsville on March 12.

A son, Jason Daniel, to Dr. and Mrs. Price Kloess (Joy Thomas) of San Antonio, Tex., on Dec. 10, 1984. Jason joins a sister, Emily, 15 months. The family will be moving to Montgomery this fall where Dr. Kloess will be a flight surgeon at Maxwell AFB.

## 1980

**Mike Jernigan**, former staff writer with the *Auburn Alumnews*, is now a feature writer for the AU News Bureau. He lives in Auburn with his wife, Vickie, a programmer with the University Computer Center.

**Kevin Loden**, a former member of the staff of the *Opelika-Auburn News*, has joined University Relations at Auburn as a member of the publications staff. His wife, Jo Ann, is a counselor with the Office of Student Financial Aid.

**Pamela L. Martin** has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. She is with the Army Reserve.

**Mary Ann Kirkham** of Greenville is a marketing representative for Alabama Power Co. She is a member of the Greenville Area Arts Council and parish council president for St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church.

**James Long** received his master's in computer science at Georgia Tech and works for Texas Instruments in Dallas, Tex.

**Capt. Tom Littlepage** and his wife, Barbara Williams, live in Hawaii, where he is stationed with the Air Force at Hickman AFB.

**1/Lt. Edward Garfield Downing** lives in Wichita Falls, Tex., where he is a construction division chief at Sheppard AFB, Tex. He is an ordained elder in the Churches of God in Christ.

**Robert W. Hamilton** graduated from the University of Alabama School of Medicine in Birmingham in June 1984. He is now completing his first year of residency training in psychiatry at UAB.

**Kurt A. Doss** is an account executive for Newstalk WERC radio in Birmingham.

**Lisa McArthur Fox** and her husband, John Fox '79, live in Athens, Ga., where she is a buyer for junior sportswear for Macy's/Atlanta. John is cross country coach/assistant track coach for the University of Georgia.

**Paul Richard Cox** is a microwave design engineer and program manager for Electromagnetic Sciences, Inc. He completed a MSEE at Southern Methodist University in December 1984. He lives in Atlanta with his wife, Cindy.

**Debra J. Gradick** graduated from the University of Georgia Medical College on June 8.

**Meryl J. Matthews** is now Meryl M. Godwin of Ft. Myers, Fla.

**BORN:** A daughter, Allison Renee, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Moody (Mary Helen Cotney) of Aiken, S.C., on March 23. Stanley is divisional superintendent of dyeing at Graniteville Company's Gregg Division.

## 1981

**Beth Valen Strasinger** is a member of the management team of the new operations center of American Express in Greensboro, N.C. Before her promotion she was in management with American Express in Salt Lake City, Utah.

**Robert M. Williams** works for the Coca-Cola Co. in the corporate audit department in Atlanta.

**Charles Blackmon** is an engineer involved in startup activities at the Vogtle Nuclear plant currently under construction near Waynesboro, Ga.

**Benjamin L. McKnight** and his wife, Lisa, live in Eufaula. Ben is a general supervisor of problem and inventory control for Hughes Missile Electronics, Inc., and Lisa is a revenue examiner with the State of Alabama.

**Capt. Patricia B. Gurczak** graduated on May 18 from the F. Edward Hebert School of Medicine of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md. She was president of Alpha Omega Alpha National Honor Medical Society in 1984. Dr. Gurczak will begin an internship at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Aurora, Colo., in July.

**Joseph Patrick Taylor**, DVM, recently opened a mixed practice clinic, Bardstown Animal Clinic, in Bardstown, Ky.

**Alan T. Howard**, DVM, lives in Albemarle, N.C., where he operates the Fairview Veterinary Clinic for mixed practice.

**John Reuel Wells** is a systems programmer for U.S. Steel's oilwell division in Dallas, Tex.

**Curt Charlton Born** and his new wife, Lynn, live in Stone Mountain, Ga.

**MARRIED:** **Stephanie Anne Mellin** to Keith B. Douglas on Sept. 22, 1984. They live in North Charleston, S.C., where Stephanie is stationed at Charleston Naval Shipyard as a ship superintendent on submarine overhauls.

**BORN:** A daughter, Elizabeth Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Trey Johnston (Teresa Johnson) of Auburn on Sept. 11, 1984. She joins sister, Laura Lee, 2.

A son, Joseph Ryan, to Mr. and Mrs. David Mark Kelly (Rebecca Pruitt) on Feb. 8. They live in Hendersonville, N.C., where Mark is an engineer with DuPont. Joseph joins big brother, Jacob, 3.

A daughter, Amy Louise, to 1/Lt. and Mrs. David Carden (Patty Odom '80) of Martinez, Ga., on Aug. 31, 1984. David is stationed with the Army Nurse Corps in Ft. Gordon, Ga.

## 1982

**Bernie Feltman** is new branch manager of the Dothan office of SouthTrust Bank.

**Bonnie Henry** is loan officer and assistant office manager of Barnett Bank in Jacksonville, Fla.

**Brian Haas** is bond trading officer in Barnett Bank of Jacksonville, Fla.

**Miriam McGhee** is a planning engineer for Southern Company Services. She was selected as an Outstanding Woman of America for 1984.

**Nancy Nelson Kent** lives in Mt. Olive, N.C., with her husband, Dennis, where they are swine operations managers for King Farms, Inc.

**J. Susan Schlitz** is senior research analyst for A.C. Nelson Company's Media Research Group in Clearwater, Fla. She is also secretary for the Tampa Bay Auburn Club and treasurer for Florida West Coast Chapter of the American Marketing Society.

**Peter Riley** works for N.A. Williams Company, Inc., an Atlanta manufacturers' representative, in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

After opening a bureau in Birmingham for *The Montgomery Advertiser*, **Karen Hartley** has moved back to Montgomery where she is features editor for *The Advertiser*.

**MARRIED:** **Pamela Gwin Albright** to Leon Mitchell Conner, III. They live in Atlanta where Pam is with First Atlanta Bank.

**BORN:** A daughter, Rebecca Carolyn, to Dr. and Mrs. Steven E. George, DVM, of Mobile. She joins brother Steven, Jr., 3.

**A son, Matthew David, to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bowman (Teresa Leslie)** of Auburn on March 28.

## 1983

**David L. Morgan** works for Motion Industries, Inc., in Birmingham.

**Edward K. Stamper** has been commissioned as a second lieutenant after graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is assigned to Mather AFB, Calif.

**Ens. John W. Dietzen, Jr.** received his Naval Flight Officer wings recently at Mather AFB, Calif. He will fly P3C anti-submarine aircraft for Patrol Squadron Sixteen at the Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Fla.

**2/Lt. John C. Allison** has graduated from the Air Force intelligence officer course at Lowry AFB, Colo.

**2/Lt. Donald C. Kayler, III**, has graduated from Air Force pilot training and has received his silver wings at Vance AFB, Okla. He and his wife, Amarlda, live in Florida where Donald serves at Homestead AFB.

**John Collins Bohner** lives in Tampa, Fla., where he is a sales engineer for General Electric Co.

**Ens. Steven W. Baldree** is a Naval flight officer after completing a 23-week navigator training course at Mather Air Force Base in Sacramento, Calif.

**Ted Cristobal** is a clinical dietitian specialist in oncology and cardiology unit, at James Haley VA Hospital in Tampa, Fla. His wife, Gilda Rogers, is food service director at Dade City Geriatric Care Center, Beverley Enterprises, in Dade City, Fla. They live in Tampa.

**Susan McCollum** is a flight attendant with Delta Airlines. She is presently based in New Orleans, La.

**Sarah Elizabeth Campbell** is now Sarah Myers and lives in Hammond, La.

**2/Lt. Daniel T. Norman** has graduated from Air Force pilot training at Vance AFB, Okla. He lives in Louisiana with his wife, Diana, where he serves at Barksdale AFB, La.

**Christopher Greene Gattis** is assistant vice president of Charter Federal Savings and Loan Association in West Point, Ga.

**James S. Crump, Sr.** is a pharmacist with Eckerd Drugs in McKinney, Tex.

**Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Lee Haulman (Ellen Ann Evans)** both work at the Air Force Historical Research Center at Maxwell AFB in Montgomery.

**MARRIED:** **Laurie Leigh Southers** to Donald Leon Pickren. They live in Opelika where Donnie is a foreman for Diversified Products.

**Lisa Ann Todd '84** to Christopher Thomas Bell on April 20. Christopher is a junior engineer for Alabama Power Co. at Miller Steam Plant Construction outside of Birmingham.

**Dean Michelle Russ** to William Reid Crowe, II, '82. They live in Columbus, Ga.

**Freida Anne Scoggins** to Barry Howard Sublett on Dec. 15, 1984, in Leroy. Freida is an abuse-neglect social worker with the Washington County Department of Pensions and Security. Barry is a staff writer with the *Clarke County Democrat* in Grove Hill. They live in Jackson.

**Mary Pugh '82** to Joel Wyatt Edwards. They live in Savannah, Ga.

**Augusta Logan Wilkinson '84** to Phillip Odis Cowart on March 30. They live in Knoxville, Tenn.

## 1984

**1/Lt. Edward J. McCormick** is an electrical engineer design chief at Vandenberg AFB, Calif., with the 4392nd Aerospace Support Group.

**Alan P. Boshell** of Jasper is a marketing representative for Witcher Office Supply. He is also head coach of a youth league baseball team.

**1/Lt. Hugh W. Harney** has graduated from the Air Force communications and electronics engineer course at Keesler AFB, Miss. His next assignment is with the 1843rd Electronics Installation Group at Wheeler AFB, Hawaii.

**Lawrence Cochran** is a salesman for Control Bank of the South in Montgomery.

**John Donald McFarlan, III**, is an engineer for General Dynamics at Ft. Worth, Tex.

**John Robert Farmer** lives in Piedmont and teaches at Wellborn High School in the Calhoun County School system.

**Stuart Craig Hanson** is a liaison engineer for Lockheed-Georgia. He lives in Lawrenceville, Ga., with his wife, Terri.

**Robert Earl Coffey** is a bank auditor with the correspondent services division for Central Bank in Birmingham.

**Mark Ingram** works for USS Agri-Chemicals as a chemical engineer in Davenport, Fla. He supervises fertilizer production, both "weed and feed" and liquid.

**Dr. Charles L. Jones** has been granted tenure at Troy State University, where he has taught justice courses since 1976.

**Julie Estelle Jeanssonne** owns Gulf Coast Plants, a plant leasing business, in Mobile. She was incorporated Sept. 5, 1984, and says her company is a "growing" success.

**Mary Ellen McNulty** is now Mary M. Berman of Dallas, Tex.

**MARRIED:** **Jennifer Haffner '85** to R. Patrick Flynn on April 13. They live in Chattanooga, Tenn., where Patrick is a management trainee for Roadway Express, Inc.

**Mary Ellen Hughes** to James A. (Sam) Hendrix, Jr., on March 23 in Jacksonville, Fla. They live in Auburn where Mary Ellen is on the staff of *The Noise Control Journal*, an engineering publication. Sam is a technical writer for the Auburn Alumni Association and completing a master's in English.

**Jennifer Lucille Harris** to Timothy Frederick Summers. They live in Makakilo, Hawaii.

**C. Paige Talley '83** to Charles H. Ellison in September. Charles is in flight school at Ft. Rucker and Paige works for Century 21.

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**Amelia Vaughan Woodfin** is now Amelia Woodfin Broussard of Tallahassee.



**SEMI-FINALIST**—Debra Jones Brummett '84, Extension program associate in clothing at Auburn, was one of ten semifinalists in the ensemble category of Leiters National Customer Sewing Contest. Her 13-piece ensemble includes a reversible jacket, a reversible vest, 2 blouses, 3 skirts, a pair of culotte pants, 3 scarves, a belt, and a necklace. She uses a patternless sewing technique which she developed to use in her work with the Extension Service. Single copies of her designs may be obtained from any Alabama county Extension office.

# Memoriam

Raymond P. Campbell '33 of Sheffield is deceased, according to recent information.

Charles M. Canon, Jr., '33 of Opelika died April 26. He had been an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association for 28 years and was active with Auburn's Annual Giving Program. Mr. Canon is survived by his wife, Doris C. Canon; a son, Lt. Col. Charles M. Canon, III, '66 of Burke, Va.; two daughters, Mary Carol C. Hitchcock of Auburn and Barbara C. Schimmell of Jacksonville, Fla.; a sister, Ann Price of Opelika; and a brother, David Canon '38 of Opelika.

Richard Grimes '36 of Gulf Shores died April 18, 1985. A former teacher, he had taught at Ensley High School for many years. He had been an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association for 11 years and was also active in Auburn Annual Giving Programs. Mr. Grimes is survived by his wife, Maurine; two sisters, Jeanette Vanderver and Mary Newman, both of Gulf Shores; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Charles D. Price, Jr., '36 DVM, of Panama City, Fla., died Mar. 29, 1985. He had retired from the Department of Agriculture in 1971. He is survived by his wife, Carlton Tompkins Price '34. Dr. Price had been an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association for 23 years and he also participated in the Auburn Annual Giving Program.

Wade Daniel Webster '36 of Abbeville died May 6. He was county agent of Henry County before opening Webster Motor Co., which he managed until an illness shortly before his death. Survivors include his wife, Winnie Weed Webster; son, Dan Webster of Abbeville; daughters, Carol Parker of Headland and Nancy Hale of Birmingham; three brothers, Prince Webster, Paul B. Webster, and Thad Webster, all of Auburn; 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

William F. Drawbaugh '38 of Skokie, Ill., died Feb. 25, 1985. He was an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association. Survivors include his wife, Shirley A. Drawbaugh.

James Thomas Atkinson '38, DVM, of Meridian, Miss., died Aug. 3, 1984. He was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Kenneth H. MacGregor, Jr., '39 of Orange, Va., died Jan. 19, 1985. He had been an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association for 28 years. Survivors include his wife.

William Hampton Andrews, Jr., '40 of Thomasville died Apr. 5. He was an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association. He is survived by his wife, Marie Rose Pritchell Andrews; one son, William H. Andrews, III, of Mobile; three daughters, Ann Corgill of Thomasville, Susan A. Gardner of Baton Rouge, La., and Clara A. Hagan of Meridian, Miss.; two sisters, Edwina McClure of Florence and Rosemond Hill of Demopolis; and nine grandchildren.

Doris Greene Chase '41 of Wellesley Hills, Mass., died of terminal cancer on Mar. 3, 1985. Survivors include her husband, S.M. Chase.

Charles S. Potter '41 of Marion Junction died Jan. 18, 1985. Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Rountree Potter.

Joel Henry Bradford '42 of Memphis, Tenn., died Oct. 21, 1980. He was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association. Survivors include his wife, Mildred Bradford.

J. Daniel Phares '43 of Orlando, Fla., is deceased, according to recent information. Survivors include his wife, Sara Forrest Pouncey Phares '45.

William W. Bishop '45, DVM, of Dyersburg, Tenn., died in February. Survivors include his sister, Mrs. Fred Johnson of Dyersburg. Dr. Bishop was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Vernon L. Norton '46 of Durham, N.C., died Apr. 11, 1974. He had been a supervisor at the Health Department in Durham for 25 years. Mr. Norton is survived by his wife, Louise M. Norton.

Claude Lee Bowman '48 of Omaha, Ark., died Apr. 26, 1984. He had been an Active

Member of the Auburn Alumni Association for 18 years. Survivors include his wife, Cathy Lee Bowman of New Smyrna Beach, Fla., and a son.

William G. Jones '48, DVM, of Scottdale, Pa., died Jan. 1, 1985, shortly after major cardiovascular surgery. He had a general veterinary medicine practice in the Scottdale area for more than 35 years. Dr. Jones was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Janie Ray Granger '48 of Ashford has been deceased for 15 years according to recent information from the Post Office.

Marvin Hill Arline '48 of Columbus, Ga., died on Sept. 27, 1984. He had been an Active Member of the Auburn Alumni Association for 16 years. Survivors include his wife.

William D. Mayfield '49 of Travelers Rest, S.C., died Apr. 19, 1985. Survivors include his wife, Myrtle S. Mayfield.

Gene C. McClendon '49 of LaFayette died recently of a heart attack. He was manager of the Walter E. McClendon Leasing Co. of Columbus, Ga. Survivors include his wife, Lillian. He was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Minne Gray Norris '51 of Cordova, Tenn., died Jan. 14, 1985. Survivors include her husband, Col. Aubrey G. Norris '50.

Rudolph Goldschmidt, Jr., '52 of Birmingham died Oct. 31, 1984. Survivors include his wife, Peggy.

Gerald W. Fussell '53 of Orlando, Fla., died Feb. 7, 1983, according to recent information.

Nelle Boyce David '54 of Columbus, Ga., died May 19, 1985. She retired from teaching in 1965 and served on the Muscogee County School Board for the next ten years. The Georgia Mothers Association chose her as one of "Twenty-five Historic Georgia Mothers" as part of its Bicentennial Project. During the Thirties she served a term on the Georgia Board of Education and later on the Agriculture and Industrial Development Board. In addition, she served 38 years on the Family and Children's Services Board of Muscogee County. She was appointed by the governor to attend the president's White House conference, "Children in a Democracy" in 1939. She is listed in Who's Who in Education. Mrs. David is survived by a son, Robert K. David of Columbus, and a daughter, Mrs. H. Dixon Smith, Jr., of Alexandria, Va.

Edward H. McAdam, Jr., '57 of St. Albans, W. Va., died Feb. 3, 1985. Survivors include his wife.

Robert Lee Knight '58 of Cedartown, Ga., died in November, 1984. Survivors include his brother, Joel D. Knight of Cedartown.

F. Frank Cian '58, M.D., died suddenly on Mar. 5, 1985, in Orange County, Fla. He received his medical degree from the University of Brussels, Belgium. He practiced a short time in Indian River and Brevard Counties, Fla. He was a member of the College of Emergency Room Physicians. Survivors include his brother, Dr. Louis G. Cian '49 of Toms River, N.J., a nephew and two nieces, including Margaret Cian-Evans '77 of Northumberland, Pa. Dr. Cian was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Robert C. Hobson '62 of Goodwater died Jan. 23, 1984. Survivors include his wife, Sara D. Hobson of Alexander City.

Charles Harold Huey '63 of Birmingham died in a tractor accident at his home on March 24. He was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association. A Birmingham attorney who raised horses and cattle on his farm, he is survived by his wife, Dr. Rebecca Dailey Huey; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Huey of Talladega; and a sister, Margaret Huey Turner '59 of New Orleans, La.

Frank Haywood Avant '63 of Gulfport, Miss., was deceased in 1978, according to recent information. Survivors include his wife, Barbara.

John W. Heard '67, DVM, of Louisville, Ky., died Mar. 25, 1982, according to recent information. Survivors include Haley Heard of Louisville.

Adler Joseph Lanzi, Jr., '67 of Birmingham died Feb. 24, 1985. Survivors include a daughter, Cindy Morton of Birmingham.

William Avery Goodwin '77, DVM, of Birmingham died in March. Survivors include his wife, Jean Moore Goodwin '76. He was a Life Member of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Christian Aaron Crabtree '85 of Mobile died May 18 in Israel from head injuries suffered in a fall at an archaeological dig. A history major, he had been studying at the Sorbonne in Paris and volunteered to go on the dig in Israel. He is survived by his mother, Marie A. Crabtree of Mobile; one sister; and six brothers.

## Former Nutrition Head Fick Dies

Dr. Bessie Davey Fick, retired head of the Auburn Department of Nutrition and Foods, died May 18 in Auburn. Dr. Fick came to Auburn in 1970 as a professor of nutrition and foods and became department head in 1977. She retired in June 1984 after a 35-year career that began in Alabama, where she was on the University of Alabama faculty from 1946 to 1961. She left Alabama to become head of the School of Home Economics at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, N.M. Dr. Fick was twice president of the Alabama Dietetics Association and was its Outstanding Dietitian in 1978. At Auburn she initiated an undergraduate coordinated dietetics program which has been acclaimed by the American Dietetics Association as one of the best in the nation.

Dr. Fick was struck with poliomyelitis at eight months and for the first twelve years of her life had daily therapy. She wore a leg brace and used "canes" as she preferred to call them to walk. She was honored by Pilot International as the Handicapped Professional Woman of the Year in 1978.

She received a number of other honors including a resolution from the Alabama Senate which was passed shortly before her death.

Survivors include her husband, Dr. Reuel L. Fick; a daughter, Freya Fick Richardson of Santa Rosa, Calif.; two brothers, Douglas and Wilber Davey; three nieces, all of Michigan; and two grandchildren.

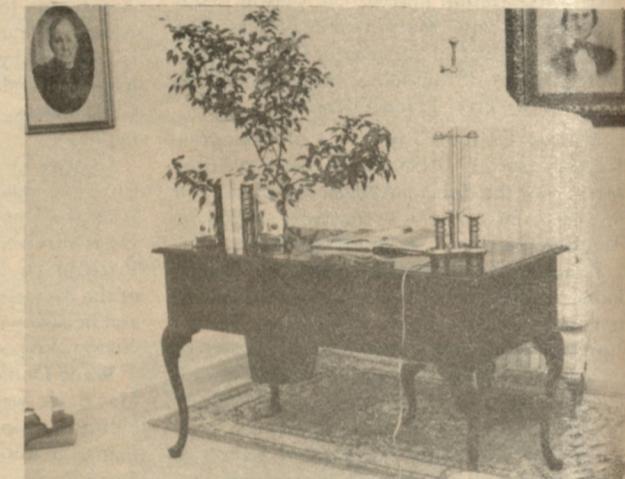
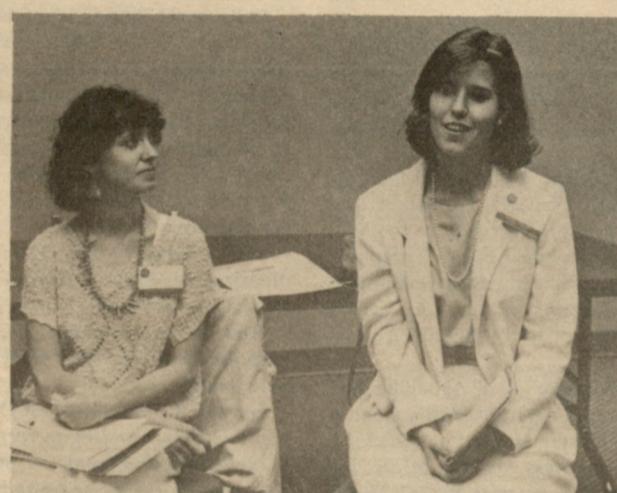
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Georgia Security Dealers Association named him Business Executive of the Year in 1982 and The Auburn School of Business presented him with its Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1980. In 1983 Mercer University gave him an honorary doctor of laws.

He currently is vice president for the U.S.-Arab Chamber of Commerce and a trustee of the University of Georgia Foundation and Wesleyan College in Macon. He is a director of Georgia Power Co., Citizens and Southern Georgia Corp., Live Oak Perry, and South Georgia Railroad.

The governing board of the American Stock Exchange includes 12 public and 12 industry representatives. Public governors may not be, nor may they be affiliated with, brokers or dealers in securities and are responsible for bringing a public point of view to the board.



**DESIGNS FOR LIVING**—This past May in their spring symposium, the Department of Consumer Affairs explored the challenges and opportunities faced by artists and designers in creating successful and innovative living spaces. The Family Resource Management residence lab, a two-story duplex facing the Haley Center Concourse, served as a showcase for the solutions provided by both student and alumni designers to the design problems of confined spaces and small areas typical of homes built in the late 1940s. In the top left photo, project coordinators Julia Beamish and Dena Summerford with alumna Mary Elizabeth Watts '82 check final details of room presentation. Top right photo: Designs for Living Symposium project coordinators Dena Summerford, Mary Clem and Julia Beamish discuss plans. Second row, left: Alumni Mary Elizabeth Watts '82 and Julie Brumbelow '81 put final touches to the North Dining Room showcase designed by alumna Betty Ann Bass '84 of Ruppersburg & Associates, Inc., of Atlanta. Second row, center: Alumni Cindy Barganier '79 of Cindy Barganier Interiors and Gayle Driggers '82 of Gretchen Bellinger of New York present career options for students in interior furnishings and textile design. Second row, right: South Duplex Study showcase designed by alumnus George Patterson '82 of Opelika. Third row: Faculty members Zoe Allison and Dr. Mary Ann Potter talk with alumni Judith Hartley '78 of Selma and Dwight Bunn '72 of Knoxville at student luncheon following career panel. Bottom left photo: Visitor (left) talks with alumni designers Lea Ann Ward and Mary Elizabeth Watts in room designed by Lea Ann. Bottom right photo: Students Barbara Roberts, Mary Terese Connell, and Elizabeth Johnston pose in the powder room they designed with a dancing tulips motif on the walls.

